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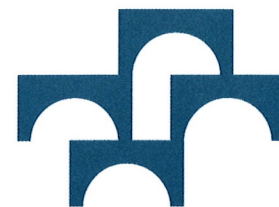
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Largest Fundraising Campaign in Maine Law's History Raises \$2.9 Million*

Thanks to many donors, this Campaign has:

- Established five new endowed scholarships
- Raised over \$200,000 for renovations for the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic
- Raised funds to replace tables, chairs, and carrels in the Garbrecht Law Library
- Launched a new Library acquisition endowment fund in the name of Professor David Gregory, thanks to a generous lead gift from the Class of 1976
- Created an endowment for a Loan Assistance Repayment Program (LRAP) to assist graduates entering public service
- Initiated an endowment to support permanently the Frank M. Coffin Lecture on Law and Public Service
- Launched an endowment to establish one of the School's first professorships in honor of Sumner T. Bernstein, a prominent Portland lawyer and friend to the Law School.



**Foundations
for the Future**

*The Campaign for the
Maine School of Law*

**Please join graduates and friends in building
Foundations for the Future and achieving our \$3 million goal.
There is still time to give to this Campaign!**

*The Campaign is now in its final stage. We will announce the results soon.
Our thanks to everyone. Happy New Year!*

Eleanor M. Baker '78
James M. Bowie '77
Campaign Co-Chairs

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***as of December 15.**

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Dean Khoury is pictured with, left to right, Patricia Peard '88; Diane Yu, Chair of the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession; Ann Courtney, former Adjunct Professor at Maine Law; and Victoria Powers '89 at the Margaret Brent Awards Ceremony. See article page 18.

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The Spring issue of *Maine Law* brought you the public announcement of the Law School's Foundations for the Future Campaign and a brief report on some of the accomplishments that have been made possible through the early success of the Campaign. For some of you, the announcement of our Campaign to raise \$3,000,000 was news. For others, especially those who have been active in the Campaign as volunteers or as early contributors, the public announcement was a culmination of more than two years of dedicated effort.

I am pleased to report that as of our *Maine Law* publication deadline of December 15, we had raised \$2,900,000 towards our \$3,000,000 goal. An announcement of the final totals will be forthcoming soon.

This is my final opportunity to share with you, in the pages of this magazine, what the Foundations for the Future Campaign has meant to me and why it is so important for our Law School. As you know, significant reductions in financial support from the University of Maine System over the last decade have meant that the Law School must increasingly rely on tuition revenues and on the generosity of our alumni/ae and friends to provide the high-quality legal education that has been our hallmark for more than 40 years. Since the mid-1990's, Maine Law has gone from being a publicly-supported school to a publicly-assisted one.

The more "private" we become, the more we need to build the institutional structures that private schools have relied upon for years. For any private school, a healthy endowment is a crucial factor. And so, the thrust of the Foundations Campaign has been to increase the size of the Law School endowment (now about \$4 million) by about 65 percent. Raising funds for endowment does not have the "sizzle" that a new building might have, but for our Law School it is essential. Endowment—for student scholarships, for professorships and faculty research support, for the Law Library, and for our clinical programs—will provide the margin of excellence that will ensure that we can continue to do the best for our students and the community. The success of the Foundations Campaign will also enable us to replace the "vintage" 1973 furniture in the Garbrecht Law Library and to renovate the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic so that it is handicap accessible and provides more appropriate spaces for student attorneys, clients, and staff.

Ablly led by Campaign Cabinet Co-Chairs, Ellie Baker '78 and Jim Bowie '77, the



Campaign has had many successes already. To date, five new scholarship funds have been established, adding more than \$600,000 to our scholarship endowments. The first phase of the renovations on the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic were completed last summer. Library furniture has been ordered.

When I began my work on this Campaign, I thought that the most important thing was to raise the dollars—\$3 million of them, to be exact. But, I have come to realize that as important as the dollars are, this Campaign is really about making a successful transition from a wholly public institution to an increasingly private one.

I have said many times that working on this Campaign has been the most satisfying experience of my professional life. My appreciation for the Law School and the quality of the education we provide has been enhanced as I have met and worked with our wonderful graduates. They express tremendous affection for their Law School and gratitude for what they received here. This is reflected in the tremendous response of our alumni/ae and friends to the Campaign. The nearly \$3 million pledged to date has come from just over 300 donors; only a handful of these donors are foundations and corporations. The balance are individual graduates and other friends of Maine Law who have understood how important this Campaign is and supported it with their gifts.

Although this Campaign is winding down, there is still time for your gift to be counted. The primary goal of building endowments remains essential to the Law School's future and I hope you will choose to participate. Remember that pledges can be paid over five taxable years which may make it easier for you to give. Please do not hesitate to call me or any of our Campaign volunteers if we can be of assistance. With all our best wishes for a wonderful new year.

—Colleen A. Khoury

Hands-On at Maine Law:

Serving the Community

While Gaining Practical Skills

When Paul C. Crowley '02 joined Linnell, Choate & Webber in Auburn as an associate right out of Law School, he was able to take on small cases almost immediately. That would not have happened, Crowley believes, had he not gotten good, hands-on experience at Maine Law.

"I would have needed a lot more hand-holding and someone at my beck and call for a considerable amount of time if I hadn't had the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic experience and many of the courses I took in Law School," said Crowley. "When firms are incurring the expense of training you, the sooner you're capable of coming up to speed, the better. My experience at the Clinic, especially, enabled me to do that."



Paul C. Crowley

Maine Law strongly encourages students to do volunteer legal work, both to serve the community and to gain practical skills.

Making its students ready for the "real world" is a top priority for the Maine School of Law. "For a small law school, we provide a wonderful array of opportunities for students to gain practical experience," said **Dean Colleen A. Khoury**.

Hands-on experience starts in the classroom. About half of Maine Law students gain skills by taking part in for-credit activities, such as externships and clinics, including the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic, the Environmental Law Clinic, the Prisoner Assistance Clinic, and periodic offerings such as the Spring '03 semester's Pension Law Clinic taught by Visiting Professor Norman Stein.

The Law School also sponsors a variety of noncredit opportunities that afford valuable experience. These include the Maine Association for Public Interest Law (MAPIL) Fellowship Program through which students can apply for a stipend for what otherwise would be an unpaid public interest job. The Bernstein District Court

Fellowship endowment provides summer stipends for students working for Maine judges. The Horace Libby Fellowship offers a stipend to a student working for the Maine Public Utilities Commission and a number of Legislative Fellowships allow students to participate in law making.

In addition to more formal programs, Maine Law strongly encourages students to do volunteer legal work, both to serve the community and to gain practical skills.

Curricular Opportunities

While the current wisdom holds that clinical work offers law students the best opportunity to gain skills, classroom exercises and lessons are equally important and should not be undervalued.

Associate Dean David P. Cluchey explained, "the educational program is an integrated process in which we try to link together theory and practice, while exposing students to training which increases in rigor with each successive year."

As any Maine Law graduate can attest, that starts with learning the most essential of legal skills—the ability to think analytically—in first year courses such as Constitutional Law, Civil Procedure, and Torts. Developing a process of reasoning and a mode of analysis is emphasized while learning basic legal rules and doctrine. Also during their first year, students are introduced to the Law School's rigorous legal and research writing program which places

emphasis on practical writing skills such as the preparation of briefs and client memos.

In 2L courses such as Business Associations, Tax I, and Constitutional Law, professors continue to teach analysis while concentrating more on imparting substantive law to students. And by the final year of Law School, Professor Cluchey explained, students draw on the substantive courses of their first two years to deal with more problem-oriented 3L courses and clinics.

In Trial Practice, for example, a simulation course taught by **Professor Judy Potter** and **Visiting Professor Valerie Stanfill**, students learn trial skills and conduct two mock trials over the course of a semester. The first trial is a fairly simple case in which two witnesses are called per side and students take on the various roles. A more complex second trial is conducted at a courthouse, with real judges volunteering to hear a case prepared start to finish by students.

Professors Potter and Stanfill also teach Advanced Trial Advocacy to 3L students who try out for the course and compete in a national trial competition. Classes are small, so students benefit from intensive coaching.

In her Secured Transactions class, **Professor Lois R. Lupica** asks students to

"You can talk about theory and the elements of a negotiation but you don't really internalize that information until you've been in the heat of a negotiation," explained Professor Lupica.



draft documentation in connection with a hypothetical transaction. An analysis of their efforts is then posted on the course Web page. In her Negotiation course, Professor Lupica has students engage in a series of negotiation exercises of increasing complexity.

"You can talk about theory and the elements of a negotiation but you don't really internalize that information until you've been in the heat of a negotiation," explained Professor Lupica. As her students work through the exercises, they are videotaped, then given feedback. "We debrief each exercise. Students can then offer feedback to their classmates in light of both their own experiences and their observations of their fellow negotiators."

Whether in a clinic setting or a classroom, Maine Law professors want students

to learn practical skills in a reflective environment. It just makes sense to learn from a mistake during Law School instead of in an unsupervised real-life situation when that error may adversely affect a client's interests, noted Professor Lupica.

Crowley found the coaching and supervised practice he received at Maine Law to be very helpful. Of particular benefit to him was a Trial Practice course taught by **Assistant U.S. Attorney Toby Dilworth** that "gave me a fundamental understanding of how to analyze the substantive issues and then to learn how to utilize the process" and an Evidence course taught by "exceptional" **Visiting Professor Peter C. Alexander** (who recently was named Dean of Southern Illinois University School of Law).

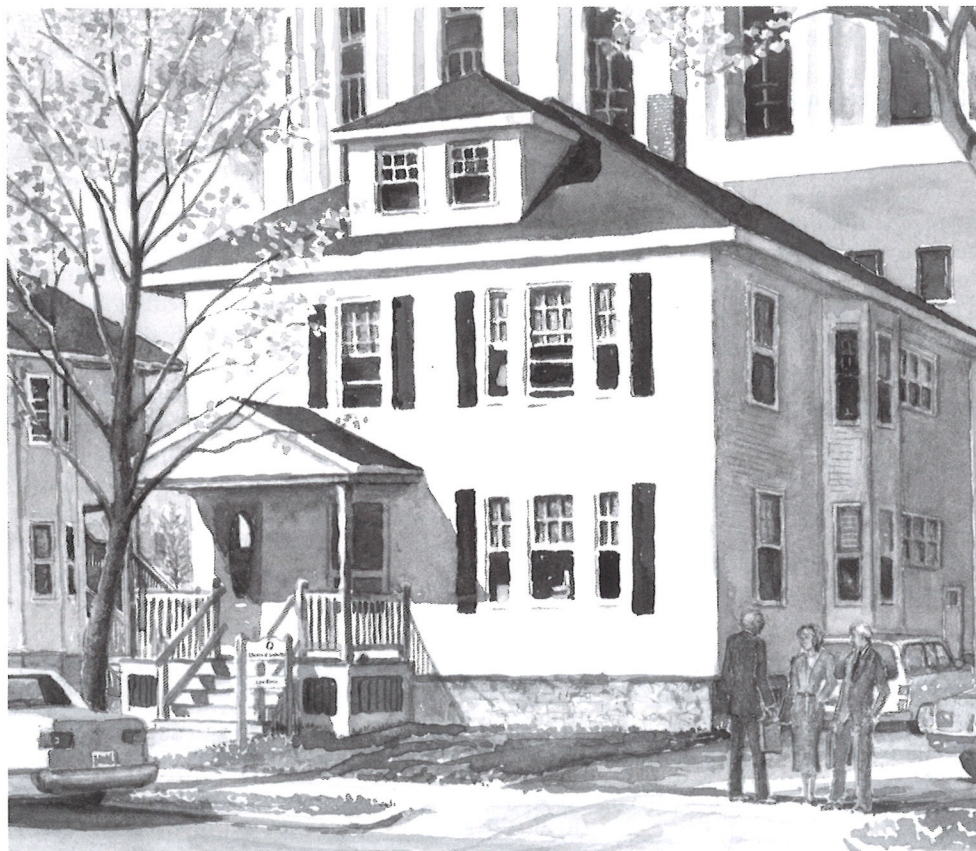
"Alexander taught the rules of evidence, which is a very technical and complex subject. But he taught in ways that made it very reasonable to understand," Crowley said. "He used exercises extensively. In a mock direct examination of a character, one student was the prosecutor, one was the defense attorney, and one was the judge. Each attorney would do a direct exam or cross exam, the other could object based on evidentiary issues, and 'the judge' would have to rule and explain why. It was terrific," he said.

"If an attorney is *ever* going to be in the courtroom, these courses really help. I have found myself remembering them often. I also retained the course materials from both of those classes and continue to refer to them."

Clinical Opportunities

Crowley said his most beneficial hands-on experience in Law School was his Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic work, mainly because it gave him a head start on knowing how to put all that he had learned into practice.

"The rules of civil and criminal procedure are not forgiving of mistakes. So the more familiar you are with the rules—and then the process—the better off you're



Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic

David Sillsby '58

For 33 years, the Clinic has taught students lawyering skills while providing access to justice for low-income Mainers.

going to be," he said. "That's what Clinic did for me. It helped me *begin* to piece things together. It's the icing on the cake that transitions you into practice."

There's a popular saying at Maine Law that "the Law School teaches you how to think like a lawyer, but the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic teaches you to *be* a lawyer." For 33 years, the Clinic has taught students lawyering skills while providing access to justice for low-income Mainers. It is organized like a law firm with an emphasis on supervision.

Professor Jennifer Wriggins, a Faculty Supervisor, believes the quality of learning at the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic exceeds what's possible at many of the nation's bigger and better-funded schools.

"The quality here is absolutely amazing," she asserted. "Students who take the Clinic can expect to be exposed to a wider array of cases than they would at a larger school. It's definitely a much more challenging clinic than the one I took at Harvard Law School. Students get a chance to do contested hearings, call witnesses and cross-examine" and handle other aspects of the law not possible at many other schools.

Clinic supervision is intensive. "We work very closely with every student. I meet with each of my students regularly, I prepare for court with them, go to court with them, review their files, review and edit all of their correspondence," said Professor Wriggins, who usually supervises five students per semester.

Typically, 15 to 20 students participate in the Clinic each semester, depending on staffing and the size of the third-year class.

"The Clinic supervisors guided us but also let us be creative," said **Tara Bachrach '03** of Pittsfield, who worked in the Clinic two semesters and called the experience "the most rewarding thing I've ever done."

"The professors treat everyone like colleagues, with respect. They're so good about letting you know you did something

right, and they're not afraid to say, 'That stunk! You didn't go through the steps as you should have.' Working in the Clinic also gave me a chance to give back to the legal profession—which is what we're all supposed to be doing."

Rendering legal services to those who cannot afford them is one of the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic's primary missions.

"Clinic students truly learn the value of *pro bono* work and the importance of access to justice for all people," noted Dean Khoury. "The hands-on work they do in Clinic also makes a huge difference in educating them about issues of race and class. It teaches students to question their own assumptions about people. Those kinds of things are not as easy to learn in the classroom but are really important for lawyers to learn so that they can better understand the society they live in."

In the Clinic, students learn skills that are easily transferable. "Students have to gather and analyze facts and often have to figure out what kind of problem they've been handed," said Professor Stanfill. "A client doesn't walk in with a label on his forehead that says 'I am a Tax Problem'—so students have to do a different kind of problem analysis than you'll have in a classroom. And that's a skill that you can apply anywhere."

Danielle West-Chuhta '03 offered one other observation about the value of her clinical experience: "I would hate to have gotten into the real world and realized I hated the law."

Since Spring 2003 there have been more opportunities at the Legal Aid Clinic because of the addition of a Prisoner Assistance Clinic taught by **Visiting Clinical Professor Jim Burke**. Funded by grants from the Maine Bar Foundation and the Maine Department of Corrections and with the support of the Law School, this clinic offers Maine inmates access to legal help for civil matters.

Prisoner Assistance Clinic students tackle the full variety of problems commonly encountered by prisoners, explained Professor Burke, who was in private prac-

tice in Lewiston for 27 years. These include divorce, child support and visitation issues, property settlements, and other general civil matters. Students research problems detailed on intake forms sent by inmates, visit the Windham Correctional Facility weekly, and handle matters from other correctional institutions by mail or phone. Some cases require only giving advice, but a number have included courtroom proceedings.

Professor Burke said Law School students should take part in clinics to better understand how all of what they learn—in and outside the classroom—fits together. "It's important that people who are going to practice law actually know what to do before they start."

Externships

Another way of acquiring practical skills before entering the work force is through Maine Law's Externship Program. Externships are regulated by the American Bar Association and allow students to get academic credit—but not pay—for a supervised work experience, about 20 hours a week for six credits.

The Law School limits externship sites to public interest organizations and government units that provide direct legal services—the Child Protective Division of the Attorney General's Office and the U.S. Attorney's bankruptcy division, for example, explained **Externship Program Director Nancy S. Gibson**.

Handpicked supervisors are expected to serve as mentors, guiding students through a variety of aspects of a job—for instance, letting a student go along on a conference with a judge, sit in on a deposition, interview a client or handle a mediation—even if those things aren't directly tied to what the student is working on.

Externs are expected to direct their own learning, said Professor Gibson. They complete a self-assessment to identify legal skills they already have and those they wish to gain, then discuss how to best accomplish their goals. Once placed, a student develops a "learning plan" and regularly

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Regina Stabile '04, an extern with the Maine Patent Program, and Woody Higgins, Director.

meets with his or her supervisor to review progress, raise concerns and get feedback. Externships also have a classroom component, where students receive feedback from Professor Gibson and fellow externs.

"We talk a lot about things like getting good supervision, professional responsibility issues and situations that are apt to come up in a real-life setting—like how to juggle the competing demands of two attorneys," said Professor Gibson, a former staff attorney at the Bluhm Legal Clinic at Northwestern University School of Law. "Once you're out there in a real job, you have to take responsibility, and those kinds of skills are very transferable—no matter what you end up doing."

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Regina J. Stabile '04, an extern at the Maine Patent Program last summer, said she always had an interest in patent law but nearly dismissed pursuing a career in that area because she lacked the bachelor's degree in science typically needed to take the Patent Bar Exam. But after spending the summer doing research, patent searches, and helping inventors with funding questions, she is reconsidering.

"It was an incredible opportunity to gain insight into whether I like this field and if it makes sense to pursue further education in the sciences," said Stabile, origi-

nally from Lawrence, Mass. Even if she decides against further schooling, "just the experience was great. Diversification can only help me when I try to get a job."

West-Chuhta '03, of Livonia, N.Y., spent her final Maine Law semester as an extern in the University Counsel's office at the University of Southern Maine. Part of the job involved researching how a portion of the USA PATRIOT Act—which in 2001 broadened the powers of law enforcement and intelligence agencies—will affect the University of Maine System.

West-Chuhta reviewed a piece of the statute that addresses how universities will be required in a few years to track international students and was asked to write a simplified summary of the section and create an easy-reference guide identifying UMaine's responsibilities.

Learning a variety of hands-on skills while in Law School was important to her, so she made a point of improving her writing skills at the Maine Unemployment Insurance Commission one summer and working as a research assistant for several private practitioners and for Associate Research Professor John A. Duff, who directs the Marine Law Institute. She's now clerking for the Maine Superior Court and will become an Air Force Judge Advocate General in September 2004.

Like many Maine Law students, West-Chuhta's ability to choose her hands-on experiences was limited by her finances, not by a lack of opportunities. "There are a

lot of great experiences that I would love to have tried, yes, but as soon as I saw that they were unpaid, it'd be 'uh-oh.' Money was a big issue for me, and a concern for a lot of my class." Still, she said she had plenty of access to practical experiences, in part because the smaller-than-average size of her class.

Co-curricular Activities

Dan Coyne '05 of South Portland was grateful to receive a Bernstein District Court Fellowship this summer to "take it that step beyond the classroom," working for Judge Joyce Wheeler in York District Court. His primary responsibility was researching surrogacy issues, as Judge Wheeler chairs a Family Law Advisory Commission.

Barbara Taylor '04 of Peaks Island created her own summer job through the MAPIL Fellowship program. Taylor, 55, told the Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project in Portland that she could apply for funding for a 10-week internship there if the organization had a project for her. That's how she wound up spending part of the summer living in worker housing in northern Maine, investigating the concerns of and assessing services available to seasonal agricultural workers.

Taylor, who gained another set of skills the previous summer working with a West Bath District Court judge, thinks experience outside the classroom is essential. "Law is such an intellectual construct that it's easy to lose sight of the fact that it's



Barbara Taylor '04, MAPIL Fellow

grounded in how people behave, feel and work," she said. "As soon as you do something like a clinic or externship or internship, you're thrust into seeing people affected by the law. And that's very important in keeping you grounded."

"Just like medical students have an internship and residency, I think it would be great to have a hands-on year in Law School," said Taylor. "We all could use a mentoring experience."

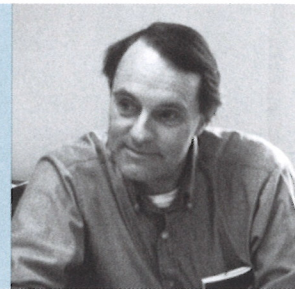
Assistant Professor H. Cabanne Howard is of like mind. He believes two years of classroom learning is sufficient for law students and should be followed by a period of supervised practice. "If we're not going to have that, then we should give people as much supervised practice in their third year of law school as possible," he said, noting the financial considerations that limit that.

"It's important because there's no guarantee that you'll get supervision in your first job, and even if you do, the supervision you get from the Law School's Clinic is likely to be more rigorous and beneficial at any rate," noted Professor Howard, who is faculty advisor for Maine Law's Moot Court Program.

In 30 years since taking part in Georgetown Law Center's first public interest clinic, Professor Howard has watched the clinic movement mushroom and noticed shifts in the expectations of employers and law schools as a result.

"I don't think the absence of clinical experience would have an effect on large corporate law firms" because bigger firms still take a lot of time grooming young asso-

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ciates, Professor Howard said. But he added that many smaller firms expect applicants to possess hands-on skills. "If I were a small firm, I'd figure I'd have less training to do if I hired someone with more experience."

During his 24 years in the Maine Attorney General's office before joining Maine Law six years ago, one of Professor Howard's functions was to screen job applicants. When considering people for court-oriented jobs—criminal prosecutors or Department of Human Services support workers, for example—those with practical experience had a competitive edge.

Even in challenging economic times, Maine Law students have ample opportunities to gain beyond-the-classroom legal skills "if they're persistent and flexible," said **Derek Van Volkenburgh**, director of Law School's Career Services Office. And they are strongly advised to do so, he said.

"Students who entertain thoughts of practicing law ought to see if they can get some practical experience while they're in school. We recommend and encourage it to supplement book learning," said Van Volkenburgh, noting that his office alerts students to Law School-related and sum-

mer employment opportunities. "It's important because the practice of law involves so much more than simply understanding legal concepts."

Volunteer Activities

Another way to acquire hands-on skills is through volunteering, and Maine Law students are urged to take on pro bono work and register their volunteer hours at the Career Services Office. Students who meet a certain level of pro bono service are recognized at commencement.

Todd Jeffers '03 of Norwich, Conn., received this year's Maine State Bar Association Pro Bono Student Award for the many hours he logged at the Maine Center on Deafness. His varied work there included legal research and helping deaf people with Social Security problems and interpreters with licensing issues. Jeffers, a former social worker, enthusiastically recommends that students give volunteering a chance, even if only for a few hours a week.

"It's definitely worth it," said Jeffers, who also was an extern in the Attorney General's office and worked in the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic two semesters. "I've gotten to see how the whole community works, how the courtroom works. I got a lot more experience with writing and dealing with clients."

"The point is that you need a blend of experiences in Law School," said Professor Cluchey. "The Family Law course introduces students to the substantive law they will need to know to help someone at the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic. In Estate Planning, a student draws on Trusts and Estates and Tax to solve a problem they might well encounter in practice."

Crowley concurred. "There's a certain amount of the horse has to be in front of the cart," he said. "No one could take Clinic in the first semester of Law School. You have to build up a reservoir of knowledge first and develop an understanding of how the body of law builds upon itself. Only then are you capable of applying the law to the facts of your client's case."

Clinics, Externships, and Fellowships Rely on Varied Funding, Including Alumni/ae Support

One of the limiting factors to expanding "hands-on" opportunities are the expenses involved.

"As beneficial as they are in providing practical experience, clinics are just extraordinarily expensive to run," Dean Colleen Khoury pointed out. "Consider the cost difference, for example, between a professor teaching a Torts class to 100 students or supervising five students in the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic."

In addition to Law School funds, The Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic receives substantial supplemental support from the Maine Civil Legal Services Fund and the Maine Bar Foundation. Other programs, in general, rely heavily upon outside financial support and philanthropy. MAPIL fellowships are primarily supported by bequests, the MAPIL auction, and the Alumni/ae Association's Annual Fund—as are the Legislative Fellowships.

Dean Khoury commented that, "Such local and state funding, together with the gifts from alumni/ae and friends make a great difference in that they allow the School to maintain and expand hands-on opportunities—which are key to the future success of our graduates."

Case provides lessons in procedure, research, and persistence

By Professors Jennifer Wriggins and Valerie Stanfill

Because of the work of Maine Law students at the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic, Bob Jones is finally paying off a roughly \$45,000 alimony debt.

His ex-wife, Helen, 67, was living on about \$360 a month when she came to the clinic in fall 1999.* She brought with her a 1992 court order for her ex-husband to pay her \$360 a month in alimony. Bob had not made any of the payments. The trial judge who made the order was the **Hon. Susan Calkins '70**, who now sits on the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

Jones v. Jones took hundreds of hours and over three years to resolve. Clinic students faced major challenges in helping Helen receive her court-ordered money. Among other issues, Bob did not live in Maine, and the Maine courts' power to attach property could not reach Bob's property because all of his property was in Florida.

When it became clear that the case would involve issues of out-of-state enforcement, clinic supervisor **Professor Jennifer Wriggins** consulted with the Maine Department of Human Services—which has an interstate support enforcement division—to see if it could represent Helen. Assistant Attorney General **Jessica Maurer '92**, chief of the Division of Child Support Enforcement, was extremely helpful and knowledgeable as were other DHS attorneys. But DHS must prioritize child-support enforcement, rather than alimony enforcement, and so could not directly represent Helen Jones. Any legal representation Helen was going to get would have to be from the clinic.

Students first looked at whether a lawsuit filed in Florida to enforce the alimony judgment from Maine could get Helen some alimony. But Florida law protects deadbeats and debtors like Bob by providing an automatic homestead exemption from attachment on all of the equity in a person's home. O.J. Simpson and other high-profile debtors have found Florida an attractive spot for this reason.

The next step was to try to figure out what income Bob was receiving. Students filed a motion to enforce the alimony judgment and discovery requests, asking Bob to reveal details of his income. Although Bob was late in answering requests and never signed his answers, he eventually gave some information about his income. He worked, as a driver, and also received substantial government benefits. Although students learned that Bob earned much more money than he said he did, much of it came from tips, so there was no way to verify or obtain that income.

Bob revealed that he also received about \$1,000 a month in Social Security retirement money.

State courts typically do not have power to make orders that affect federal benefits such as Social Security. But clinic students researched the proper way to obtain a state court order that the federal Social Security Administration would enforce. The clinic went back to court and asked for an order that would result in Helen receiving half of Bob's Social Security check each month. The clinic gave Bob proper notice of the motion, and he did not respond in a timely way. Bob's habit of ignoring communications began to hurt him. The court issued the order, and Helen finally began to receive some alimony.

But clinic students did not stop there. They learned that Bob received benefits from the Veterans Administration for retirement and disability—about \$1,100 a month. Bob refused to provide complete information about those benefits.

Through a combination of students' persistence, Bob's refusal to cooperate with the court process, and help from **Paul Thelin '73**, the Maine District Court, in spring 2002, issued an order garnishing part of Bob's military retirement/disability pay. The Veterans Administration began to enforce the order in July 2002, and Helen now generally receives \$1,316 a month, instead of \$360, as a result of the clinic's efforts.

This case highlights lessons about federalism, family law, and procedure. Florida's homestead exemption law, which protected Bob, is a powerful example of how different states can support very

different policies that affect people beyond those states. The case shows the difficulty of enforcing, across state lines, an important court order. It would have been impossible for Helen to figure out how to get the order enforced on her own. The Clinic's work was indispensable.

Clinic students also learned critical lessons about procedure, research, and persistence. Bob's refusal to follow the rules of procedure helped lead to the favorable outcome for Helen. Moreover, without students' research and persistence, Bob would have gone on ignoring the alimony order.

"When someone says 'no' or 'this is the way things always have been done,' you can't take that for an answer when a great injustice is being done," says **Marcie Hornick '02**, one of many clinic students who worked on the case. "I learned that from this case and from working at the clinic generally." Helen Jones had this to say: "I have nothing but great things to say about the clinic. I am extremely grateful for all the help that they gave me."



Professors Wriggins (left) and Stanfill

(*Names have been changed to protect their privacy.)

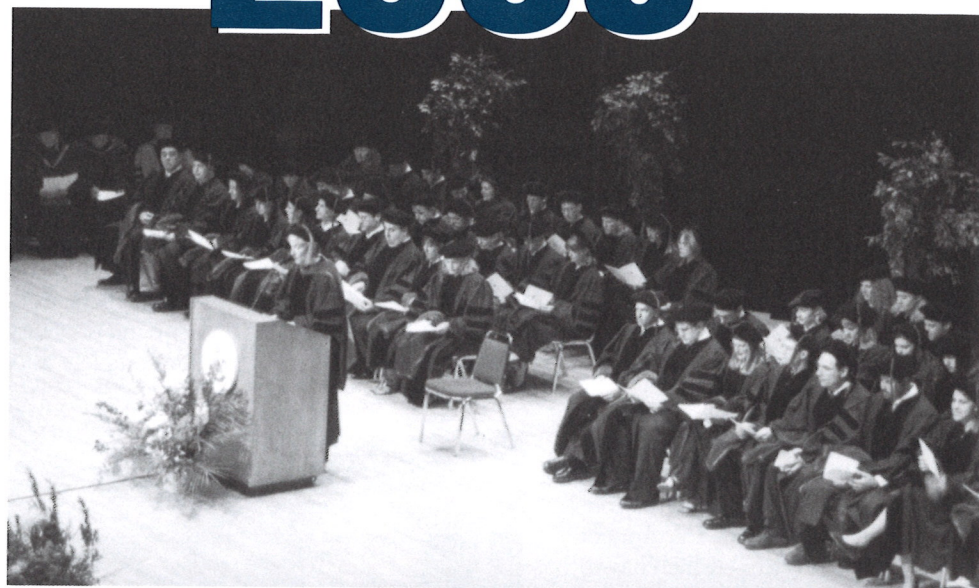
Commencement 2003

On May 24, before 500 family and friends, 62 members of the class of 2003 received their J.D. degrees under ceremony at Portland's Merrill Auditorium.

The ceremony was led by Dean Colleen Khoury who noted the Class of 2003 was a collection of interesting and varied individuals that included, among others, a doctor of pediatric medicine, a graphic artist, a nurse, and an antiques dealer. Dean Khoury wished the graduates "a lifetime of intellectual challenge and satisfaction, an opportunity to serve others, and the tools to be an advocate for change and to work for justice in our society."

Student speaker Denis Culley of Mercer, Maine, told graduates, "This class in its ambitious and skeptical way has thought deeply about the law and that thought yields, as it must, doubt, skepticism, and diversity. The opposite of faith is not doubt," he said. "The opposite of faith is indifference." Before entering law school, Culley, was a horse logger, farrier, and commercial orchardist. Culley, who rented a house in Portland while attending law school, returned to Mercer in late summer and began clerking for the Maine Superior Court in Augusta.

Convocation speaker Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court Leigh



Dean Colleen Khoury presides over the 2003 convocation.

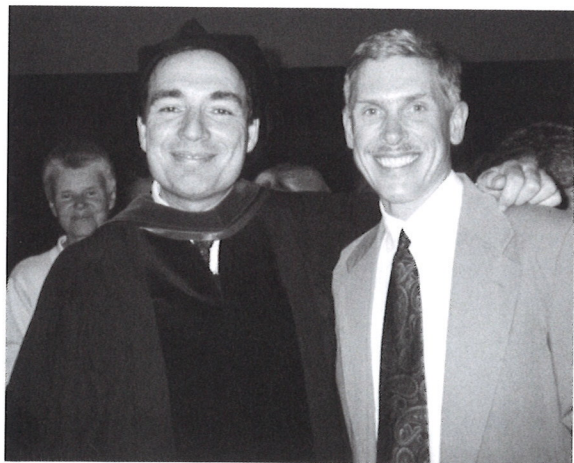
Ingalls Saufley, a 1980 Law School graduate, extolled the virtues of hard work, humor, and honoring the law profession. "It is time, once again, for us to respect what we do and help the world understand how important law is to the foundation of democracy and freedom," said Saufley.

Saufley was the youngest chief justice in Maine's history when she was appointed by Governor Angus King in 2001. Prior to her

appointment, she served with the Maine Attorney General's Office for about 10 years. She was appointed to Maine District Court in 1990, to Maine Superior Court in 1993, and as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court in 1997.

Professor Richard L. Roe, Class of 1977 and a faculty member at Georgetown University Law Center, was named the recipient of the 2003 L. Kinvin Wroth Distinguished Alumni Award. Roe founded and directs Georgetown's Street Law program, in which law students teach high school students about the law.

A number of awards and honors were announced during the ceremonies. James Haddow '86, vice president of the Alumni Association, presented the Alumni Association Award to Denis Culley, who was selected by the faculty as an outstanding member of the graduating class. Culley received a Law School chair donated by the Alumni Association.



Class speaker Denis Culley '03 (left) and James Haddow '86, Alumni Association president. Culley was presented a law school chair by the Alumni Association as the outstanding member of the graduating class.



Convocation speaker Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court Leigh Ingalls Saufley '80.

CLASS OF 2003

NAME	UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE/COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
Kenneth J. Albert III	B.S.N. 1998 University of Southern Maine	Lewiston, Maine
Alec Samuel Altman	B.A. 1994 Bucknell University	Portland, Maine
Patrick D. Archibald	B.S. 1994 United States Coast Guard Academy	East Hampstead, New Hampshire
Anna N. Astvatsaturova	B.A. 2000 University of North Dakota	Wahpeton, North Dakota
Tara Robinson Bachrach	B.A. 2000 University of New Hampshire	Pittsfield, Maine
Natasha Julie Baker	B.S. 1999 Tufts University	South Portland, Maine
John Gould Bean	A.B. 1978 Yale University	Farmington, Maine
Michael Theodore Bigos	M.A. 1998 University of Southern Maine	Richmond, Maine
Daniel I. Billings	B.A. 1995 University of Southern Maine	Bowdoinham, Maine
Karen Marie Bilodeau	B.A. 1990 University of Southern Maine	
Lisa Renee Bogue	M.A. 2003 University of Southern Maine	Auburn, Maine
Daniel C. Buck	B.A. 2000 Bates College	Wilton, Maine
Steven Martin Carey	B.A. 1996 University of Maine	Wayne, Maine
Sharon Diane Carl	B.A. 1982 University of Maine	
Richard A. Charest	D.P.M. 1986 California College of Pediatric Medicine	
Denis Culley	B.A. 1998 Stonehill College	York, Maine
Trevor M. Darrell	B.S. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Standish, Maine
Kristy Dawes	B.S. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Auburn, Maine
Dawn M. DiBlasi	B.A. 1978 State University of New York at Stony Brook	Mercer, Maine
Craig C. Dorais	B.A. 1998 Muhlenberg College	East Hampton, New York
	B.A. 1999 Colby College	Yarmouth, Maine
	B.A. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Benton, Maine
	B.A. 1995 University of Maine	Saco, Maine
	M.A. 2000 Middlebury College	
Rick Doyle	B.A. 1979 St Mary's University-Nova Scotia	Bangor, Maine
	M.A. 1994 University of Maine	
Amanda Elizabeth Emmons	B.A. 1998 Beloit College	Hollis, Maine
Amy Louise Fairfield	B.A. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Kennebunk, Maine
Peter C. Felmly	B.A. 1998 Colby College	Manchester, New Hampshire
Carrie Folsom	B.A. 1987 Mount Holyoke College	Kennebunk, Maine
Michael Robinson Fuller	B.A. 1993 University of Southern Maine	Windham, Maine
Jessica Lynne Godfrey	B.S. 2000 Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Holliston, Massachusetts
Matthew Francis Govan	B.B.A. 1998 University of Massachusetts Amherst	South Portland, Maine
Dawn-Marie Harmon	A.B. 1999 Wheaton College	South Portland, Maine
John K. Hatch	B.A. 1997 Hobart College	Stratham, New Hampshire
Elizabeth A. Hoag	B.F.A. 1983 Cornell University	Buxton, Maine
	M.F.A. 1986 Boston University	
Todd Matthew Jeffers	B.A. 1994 University of Connecticut	Norwich, Connecticut
Katherine Akins Joyce	B.A. 1998 Middlebury College	Portland, Maine
	M.S.E.L. 2000 Vermont Law School	
Carrie Lee Leighton	B.A. 1996 University of New Hampshire	Waterboro, Maine
Kimberly Ann Levesque	B.S. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Wales, Maine
Valerie Lovely	B.M. 1994 Berklee College of Music	Wells, Maine
Seth Ryan Maki	B.S. 1999 Florida State University	Swanzy, New Hampshire
Sarah J. Ives Marble	B.A. 1989 University of Maine	Buxton, Maine
Sarah Houston McCready	A.B. 1998 Bowdoin College	Lexington, Kentucky
Colin Kerrigan McNeil	B.S. 1998 University of Oregon	Burlington, Vermont
Katharine Ives Moore	B.A. 1996 Davidson College	Portland, Maine
Mary Frances O'Brien	B.A. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Portland, Maine
Ryan Nicholas Olberding	B.A., B.S. 2000 University of Maine	Portland, Maine
Charles Wyman Olcott	A.B. 1999 Bowdoin College	Kennebunk, Maine
Nicole Camille Palaza	B.A. 2000 University of Southern Maine	Brunswick, Maine
Sylvia Chrysothem Paneris	B.A. 1996 Notre Dame College	Biddeford, Maine
Todd David Ross	B.S., B.A. 1997 Bucknell University	Lake Winola, Pennsylvania
Daniel N. Sacco	A.B. 1996 Bowdoin College	Saratoga Springs, New York

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NAME

Mary Francis Saunders
Kerryn Elizabeth Shean

Robert H. Smith

Susannah O'Brien Sprague
Wendy Moulton Starkey
Tiffany Strauchs

Francis David Walker IV
Nancy Lee Wells
Danielle West-Chuhta
Jennifer Anne Williams
Natalie Jean Woodland

Shawn Christopher Worden
Andrew Brennan Wright
Gina Yamartino

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE/COLLEGE

B.A. 1997 Mary Washington College
A.B. 1996 Bowdoin College
M.S.W. 1998 Boston College
A.B. 1991 Bowdoin College
M.S. 1999 University of Southern Maine
B.A. 2000 University of Southern Maine
B.A. 1989 University of Southern Maine
B.S. 1998 Carnegie Mellon University
M.A. 1999 St. John's College
B.A. 2000 University of Alaska
B.A. 1973 George Washington University
B.A. 2000 State University of New York at Oswego
B.A. 2000 University of Southern Maine
B.A. 1992 University of Maine
M.B.A. 2001 Thunderbird, The American Graduate
School of International Management
B.A. 2000 Michigan State University
B.A. 1995 Hampshire College
B.A. 1979 Boston College

HOMETOWN

Wayne, Maine
Topsham, Maine

Westbrook, Maine

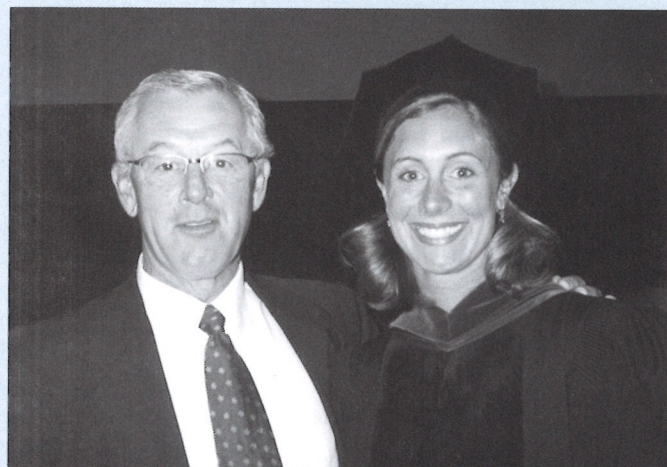
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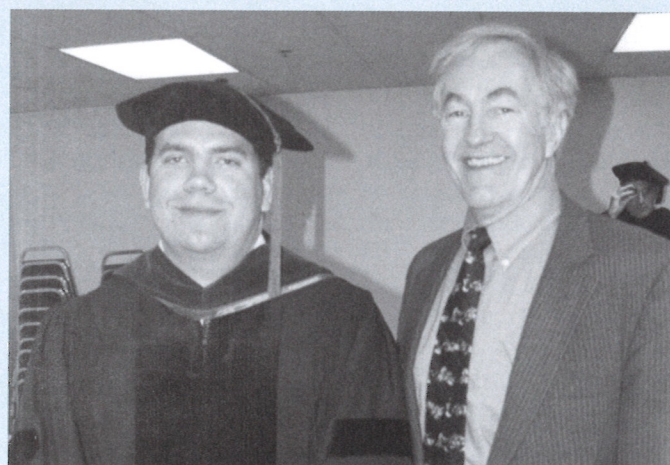
Petoskey, Michigan
Portland, Maine
Lewiston, Maine



2003 graduates (l to r): Carrie Leighton, Wendy Starkey, Lisa Bogue, and Jennifer Williams.



Katharine Moore '03, summa cum laude, and Faculty Scholastic Achievement Awardee, with father Robert Moore '74.



Jess Knox '04 (left), SBA president, and Richard Roe '77, L. Kinvin Wroth Distinguished Alumnus/a Award recipient.

Prizes Awarded at Graduation, Class of 2003

Faculty Scholastic Achievement Award—This award is given to the member of the senior class who achieves, over three years of law study, the highest academic average.

Katherine Moore

Cumberland Bar Association Award—This annual award is presented to the graduating senior who, in the determination of the faculty, has made the greatest contribution to the development of the School through scholarship, work in the *Maine Law Review*, and other student activities.

Jennifer Williams

Faculty Significant Achievement Awards—These awards are presented to members of the senior class whose academic performance and/or overall contribution to the school have been significant.

*John Bean
Sarah Marble
Dan Billings
Jennifer Williams
Dawn-Marie Harmon*

Gignoux Award for Appellate Advocacy—This award is for the graduating senior who has demonstrated excellence in advocacy skills through moot court programs.

Valerie Lovely

Faculty Award for Trial Advocacy—Awarded for outstanding performance in advocacy courses.

*Lisa Bogue
Charles Olcott*

Wernick Prize for Legal Writing—This award was established by friends and former colleagues to honor the memory of Justice Sidney Wernick. It is given to the student who has submitted the best piece of legal scholarship during the year.

*Peter Felmly,
"Beyond the Reach of States: The Dormant Commerce
Clause, Extraterritorial State Regulation, and
the Concerns of Federalism"*

Independent Writing Award—Awarded to the best Independent Writing Project.

*Rick Doyle,
"When the Bough Breaks: Should Foster Parents in Maine
Have Immunity in Wrongful Death and 1983 Actions?"*

ABA/BNA Award for Excellence in the Study of Intellectual Property Law

Patrick Archibald

ABA Award for Excellence in Labor and Employment Law

Todd Ross

ABA/BNA Award for Excellence in the Study of Health Law

Kenneth Albert III

American Bankruptcy Institute Medal for Excellence in Bankruptcy Studies

Jennifer Williams

National Association of Women Lawyers Recognition Award to a graduate who has contributed to the advancement of women in society and promoted issues and concerns of women in the legal profession.

Sarah Marble

Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Awards—Presented by the Law Faculty for outstanding performance in selected areas of the curriculum.

*Elizabeth Hoag—Clinical Practice
Nicole Palaza—Taxation
Katherine Joyce—Environmental & Marine Law
Andrew Wright—Criminal Law & Procedure*

Maine State Bar Association Pro Bono Student Award—Awarded to a student whose law-related services to the community, without compensation or education credit, exemplifies the legal profession's tradition of *pro bono* service. The recipient is to be selected by the Dean and Faculty after consultation with the President of the Maine State Bar Association.

*Rick Doyle
Todd Jeffers*

Law Alumni Association Award—The recipient of this award is that person who, in the determination of the faculty, is an outstanding member of the senior class.

Denis Culley

Student Bar Association Award for distinguished service to the student body. (Selected by the SBA)

Carrie Leighton

Scott Harshbarger: 12th Coffin Lecturer

In October, Scott Harshbarger, former Attorney General of Massachusetts and past president of Common Cause, visited the Law School as the Frank M. Coffin Lecturer on Law and Public Service.

Mr. Harshbarger served as Massachusetts's Attorney General from 1990 to 1999. In 1999, he was elected President of Common Cause where he re-energized the organization and guided its efforts in support of federal campaign finance reform legislation. He also expanded Common Cause's agenda to include election reform and launched its corporate governance initiative. Mr. Harshbarger left Common Cause in 2002 to join the Boston law firm of Murphy, Hess, Toomey & Lehane.

In his lecture, "Strengthening Democracy: The Challenge of Public Interest Law," presented at First Parish Church in Portland, Mr. Harshbarger spoke on a wide range of subjects concerning the role of the public interest lawyer in today's society. Using his own career as an example, he spoke of his "vision of a public servant who happens to be a lawyer."

Mr. Harshbarger opined that the next major issue involving the intersection of law and public service would involve the current crisis in corporate governance. He added that this would expand from the private to public sector, and to charities and foundations as well.

The following day at the Law School, Mr. Harshbarger met with Professor David Cluchey's Business Association class and, at lunch, joined Judge Frank Coffin and a large group of students in a wide-ranging discussion about his career and the role of public interest lawyers. He noted that he had held many positions during his long career, and he encouraged young lawyers to reexamine their career goals every three years or so.

After graduation from law school, Mr. Harshbarger served as the first General Council to the Massachusetts State Ethics Commission, as Deputy Chief Council of the Massachusetts Public Defenders, as Chief of the Public Protection Bureau in

the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office and, for eight years, as District Attorney for Middlesex County.

In addition to his service to the public, Mr. Harshbarger has taught legal ethics at Boston University Law School and has been a visiting professor at the law schools of Northeastern University and Harvard University.

The Coffin Lecture on Law and Public Service honors Judge Frank M. Coffin, Senior Justice on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit and a longtime friend of the University of Maine School of Law. The lecture has brought to the area many outstanding leaders to explore and reflect on the intersection of law and public service. Past Coffin lecturers have included Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Secretary of Labor Robert Reich, Senator Warren Rudman, Professor Cruz Reynoso, Alan Morrison, and Professor Chai Feldblum.



Judge Frank M. Coffin (left) and Scott Harshbarger.



Harshbarger speaks to law students in the Moot Court Classroom.



Osher Scholars Recognized

Last spring, Barbro and Bernard Osher hosted a reception for Osher Scholars from throughout the state of Maine. At the time, five Maine Law students were recipients of Osher Scholarships. The Oshers have created scholarship funds at many of Maine's undergraduate colleges and at the Law School. Barbro Osher (center) is seen with Maine Law's Osher Scholars (from l to r), Kenyon Shubert '05, John Bean '03, Andrew Ellis '05, Staci Shaffer '04 and Joanna Wyman '05. Dean Khoury is pictured in the background. The Oshers have created an endowment at the Law School, as part of the Foundations for the Future Campaign, to provide these scholarships.

National Outstanding Law Student of 2003

Aнна N. Astvatsaturova '03, was named the National Outstanding Law Student of 2003 by the editors of "Who's Who: American Law Students."

"I was shocked and very happy," said Astvatsaturova, who was chosen from more than 1,000 candidates nationwide. She will be featured prominently in the 22nd edition of the publication and on the Who's Who Web site and also receives a \$500 prize.

Astvatsaturova was notified in February that she would be included among the top 100 law students, which was a thrill in itself, and received word in April that she was to be recognized as No. 1 in the nation. Who's Who selection criteria include "achievement in the study of law, service to the law school community, volunteer service to the larger community, and/or pursuit of a law career in spite of prohibiting factors."

Astvatsaturova, who along with her family came to the United States in 1992 as an Armenian refugee from Azerbaijan, was president of the International Law Society at Maine Law. She organized a fall 2002 conference at the Law School on the United Nations International Criminal Court after being one of 25 students chosen to participate in the court's establishment the previous summer. Now director of education programs of the Independent Student Coalition for the International Criminal Court, Astvatsaturova attends all formal meetings of the court at the UN and is editor-in-chief of the ISC-ICC law journal and an ISC-ICC newsletter.

Backed by Associate Dean David Cluchey, and on behalf of the International Law Society, **Regina J. Stabile '04** nominated Astvatsaturova "because Anna showed a tremendous commit-



Anna N. Astvatsaturova

ment to international law and to bringing awareness of international law matters to the Law School and to the greater community."

While at Maine Law, Astvatsaturova also was involved with the Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project and the Volunteer Lawyers Project.

Stabile, who met her nominee while working in the Garbrecht Law Library, said she was impressed by Astvatsaturova's dedication and energy and "felt Anna was the perfect person to receive this award."

"Anna's an extremely motivated individual and has enriched both the Law School and the greater community," said Stabile. "I'm so proud of her and

grateful that I not only got to work with her but that we've gotten to be good friends. Our society has shaped her, but she hasn't forgotten where she came from. I think that's part of the reason she's so interested in justice. She knows about things that many of us—or at least I—have not experienced, things that I never really stopped to think about or appreciate. But most of all, Anna lets you know that you, too, can offer something unique."

In notifying the Maine Law community and congratulating Astvatsaturova, Dean Colleen Khoury said, "All of us—faculty, staff, and students—take great pride in Anna's accomplishment."

Astvatsaturova, who spent the summer studying for the Maine and Connecticut bar exams, is continuing her passion—working for the ISC-ICC—and plans to pursue a career in international law.

She will begin a clerkship at the newly established international criminal court in The Hague, Netherlands this year.

Staying in Touch: Online

The Alumni Association Communication Committee is hoping members of the Maine Law community will find it much easier to stay in touch.

As chair of the committee, **Alfred C. Frawley III '76** is working to get an online alumni/ae directory up and running.

"There's no real way to know what other people are doing, except for Maine Law's alumni/ae magazine," Frawley said. "The goal in creating this directory is to have a much more robust relationship between the alumni/ae and the Law School."

He noted that the Alumni Association Board recently voted to enhance its Web site. The most immediate goal for the site is to establish an online directory. This online alumni/ae resource would supplement or replace the printed version—which last was produced in 1998. A printed directory is expensive to produce and distribute, Frawley noted, and becomes outdated quickly.

"We want to eventually have enough information to make it a great one-stop-shop kind of resource—for the entire Law School community, including professors and students," Frawley said. "We would love to have the capability to link to legal resources, case law, statutes—and we've talked about the possibility of having job postings or 'positions needed' postings and message boards. The more functions we have, the more useful it will be."

Some progress has been made already in expanding the Web site's resources. The alumni magazine is now available online, with back issues being archived, and a section has been devoted to current "Class Notes," allowing classmates to catch up on news.

The committee recently distributed a questionnaire to alumni/ae, seeking current e-mail addresses and opinions on what to include in an online directory. Frawley noted the committee is pulling together those results and sifting through data from the Alumni Relations and Development Office.

Communication Committee members have decided that the directory will be secure and password-protected. Users will also have the option to update their own directory records by e-mailing the Alumni Office, which will update the directory regularly. Users will be able to search the directory by name, class, state or area of legal specialty.

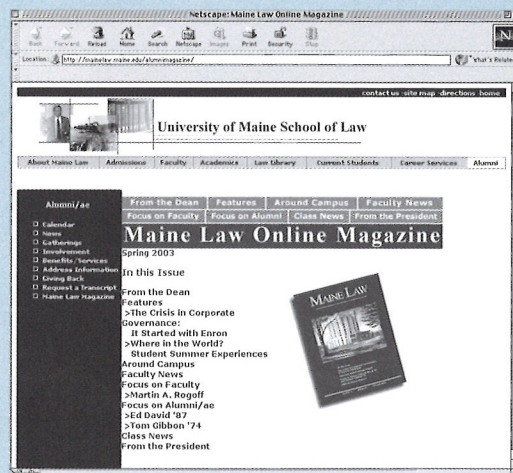
Frawley said the committee also would like to provide a periodic e-mail newsletter.

"We feel it's important to try to develop this online resource," he said. "There are many of us who have a lot in common but no way of being in a common place because of distance. The geographic spread of our alums is pretty remarkable, and it would be a tremendous help to be able to look someone up online."

"If I had a case in Connecticut, for example, I'd have a vague idea but I wouldn't know for sure which of my classmates was there. It'd be great to be able to see where they are and know their area of concentration."

For more information about the online directory, contact Frawley at afrawley@preti.com or the Alumni Relations and Development Office at lawalumni@usm.maine.edu.

The alumni Web address is mainelaw.maine.edu/alumni.htm.



Nightmare on Elm Street: Reflections on a Recent Visit to the New Maine State Prison

By Professor Melvyn Zarr

You live on Elm Street, in what you believe is a nice neighborhood. One day, a neighbor comes over and, right under your nose, steals your new power lawnmower. You protest, but the neighbor mentions menacingly that you had better keep your mouth shut—or else. You call the police, who come over and dutifully write a report of what happened. They seem uncomfortable. "Do you really want to make a complaint?" they ask. "Of course," you reply, "Why not?" They tell you, if you complain, you will be known as a snitch, a rat. Your thieving neighbor will seek retribution. Your other neighbors will shun you. Nobody likes a snitch. Your options, you are told, are to fight the thief, steal someone else's lawnmower or move out of the neighborhood. What kind of choices are these, you wonder? And then, thankfully, you wake up. It's all been a bad dream. Thank goodness.

These thoughts came to mind after a recent visit to the new Maine State Prison in Warren with some of my Criminal Law students. The prison is a brand-new, nearly state-of-the-art facility. What is not new is the management doctrine and culture. Boss cons still help run the joint and woe unto a prisoner who is low on the pecking order.

This observation is not meant to be critical of the correction officers. They are understaffed, underpaid, and overworked. They do their best to cope. A big part of their coping strategy is to co-opt the boss cons in order to keep the joint from erupting. And it works. Prison riots or wholesale disturbances are few and far between. What is pervasive, however, is a climate of fear and intimidation. Assaults are everyday occurrences. The victims are told to fight back or move into segregation. Fighting back may get you injured more seriously and segregation is a nasty experience. But it

can't be helped. Or at least the correction officers can't help you. They're too busy and they don't want to rile up the boss cons.

The juxtaposition of the new physical plant and the old culture is jarring. Viewed narrowly, the system works to keep the prison running on a day-to-day basis. But from a broader perspective, the system is bad public policy.

The "correctional" experience socializes prisoners into a culture where the law of the jungle prevails: Be a predator or get preyed upon. After years of daily struggle, most prisoners are released into society, where they find that their inverted values don't serve them well. And the vast majority find themselves back in prison.

This is not a call for the coddling of prisoners. It is a call that we properly staff and manage our prisoners in such a way that the values of society are modeled in them. That means that crimes are punished, rules are enforced, and the weak are protected from the strong.

Unless we do this, we may find that our communities are contaminated by the inverted values learned in prison. And we may awake to learn that the nightmare on Elm Street is real.



First Annual Maine State Prison Tour

Over 40 law students visited the Maine State Prison in Windham last spring, in what Professor Melvyn Zarr hopes represented the first annual law student tour of the facility. The student visitors viewed a video recording a prisoner on prisoner assault and a contraband pass and toured the facility with prison personnel. Following their experience at the prison, students debated and examined newly informed opinions on everything from prison staffing levels to the basic rationale of imprisonment. Shown above from left to right are Professor Melvyn Zarr, Captain David Cutler, Sgt. Harold Abbott, Sgt. Gerald Willey, and Chris Dargie '05. Professor Zarr, who teaches Criminal and Civil Procedure courses, is a former chair of the State of Maine's Parole Board.

New Assistant Director of Alumni Relations

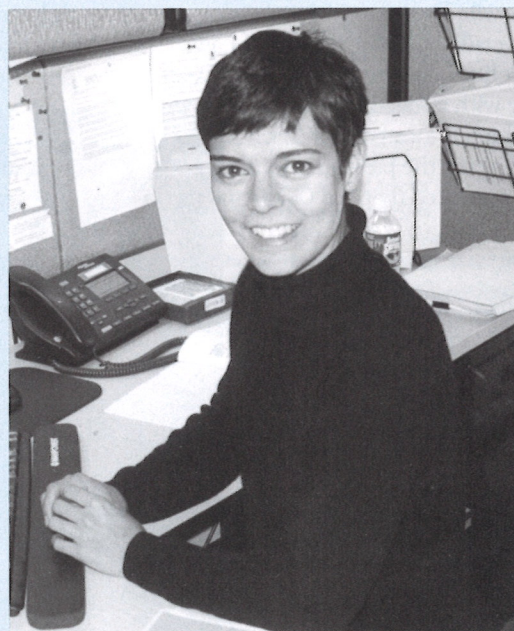
Jasa Porciello began her duties as Assistant Director of Alumni Relations and Development in October. Porciello will work closely with the leadership of the Alumni Association on alumni activities including the Annual Fund, *Maine Law* magazine, and the Alumni Association's new Web site.

She is a graduate of Swarthmore College and holds a master's degree from the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. A Maine native from the Waterville area, she held several positions in development and public relations before returning to Maine last year.

For a number of years, Porciello has been a volunteer spokesperson and fundraiser for The Hunger Project, an international organization that works to address the social conditions that give rise to chronic hunger. She explained that her work with the organization has allowed her the opportunity to apply professional skills locally while impacting a global issue.

She is also active in the arts in the Portland area where she participates in a writers' group and volunteers at the Merrill Auditorium.

"I look forward to being part of a team that will help build the Law School's resources—both for what it provides the students and graduates, and for what it means for Maine," she said. Porciello's e-mail address is porciello@usm.maine.edu and her phone number is (207) 780-4342.



Dean Godfrey Celebrates 90th Birthday



Fred Hart, former Dean of the University of New Mexico Law School, surprises Dean Godfrey at his 90th birthday celebration.

In July, over 100 friends of Dean Emeritus Edward S. Godfrey helped celebrate his 90th birthday at the Law School. Guests, some who traveled from as far as Oregon and New Mexico to join in the festivities, included law school faculty, judges, former students, law schools deans, and former law clerks. Among those attending were Fred Hart, former Dean of the University of New Mexico Law School, and former Maine Law Dean and current Dean of the Vermont Law School, L. Kinvin Wroth with his wife Dee.

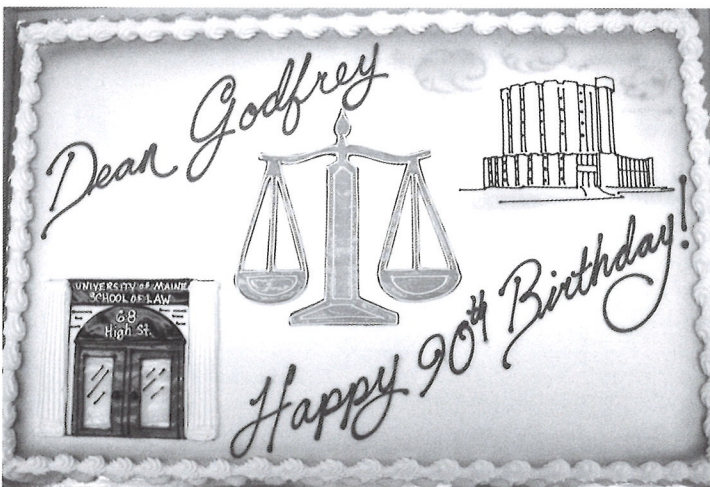
University of Maine School of Law Dean Colleen A. Khoury presented Dean Godfrey with a "deed in perpetuity" to his office which is located in the School's library. During the presentation, Dean Khoury remarked that "Ed Godfrey is a

remarkable person who must have supernatural powers to achieve so many accomplishments over the years. Unfortunately, he was not able to make the sun to shine today (causing the celebration to be held inside)." To the enjoyment of those present, Dean Godfrey immediately retorted, "How do you know that I didn't want it to rain?"

Dean Hart bestowed on Dean Godfrey a certificate from the University of New Mexico making him the School's first "tenured" visiting professor and welcoming him back to New Mexico anytime he wished. While a visiting professor at the University of New Mexico Law School, Dean Godfrey made many friends in that area.

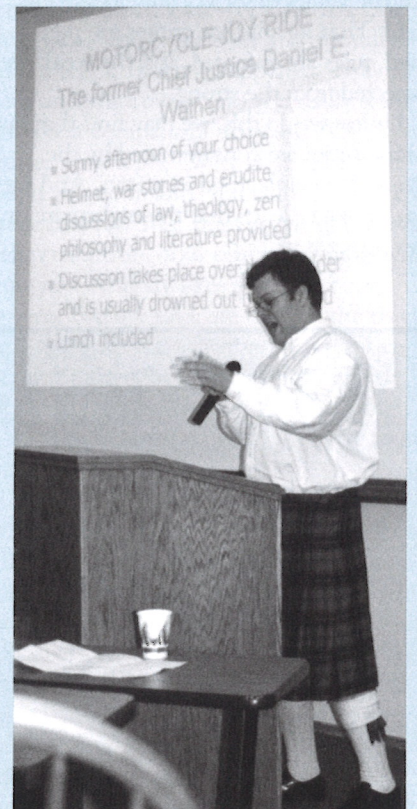
Many of Dean Godfrey's former judicial clerks from the years (1976-1983) when he served on the Maine Judicial Supreme Court also attended the birthday party. They included Jonathan Levy, who traveled from Oregon for the occasion.

The party featured a large cake (at left) with replicas of the original University of Maine School of Law and the current Law School Building.



MAPIL Auction Raises \$21,000

The spring Maine Association of Public Interest Law (MAPIL) Auction broke all records this year raising over \$21,000 for summer public interest fellowships. Chairing the auction committee for MAPIL were Regina Stabile '04 and Kenyon Shubert '05. A standing-room-only crowd bid high and often for items such as dinners given by faculty members, vacation weekends, and sailing trips. Guest auctioneers included Attorney Terry Garney and Former Maine Supreme Court Chief Justice Daniel Wathen '65.



Neil Prendergast '04 at the MAPIL Auction.

Professor Fallon Offers Lessons on War and Personal Freedoms

In a timely presentation to the Law School in April 2003, Harvard Law Professor Richard H. Fallon Jr. discussed "Constitutional Rights in Wartime." Visiting the Law School as a Dean's Distinguished Scholar, Professor Fallon reviewed the history of constitutional rights during wartime in light of present day events in the war on terrorism.

Professor Fallon noted the many restrictions placed on personal freedoms, starting with the Civil War through World War II, and concluded that with each period of war, there have been fewer and fewer restrictions. "Constitutional rights have been treated better in subsequent wars...better in each war," he said. "Things seem to get better as people learn from each previous experience."

Professor Fallon said that substantive constitutional rights of citizens were doing "okay" during the current war on terrorism, if compared to past situations. He said there were fewer invasions of privacy rights of citizens, although he was disturbed about rumors and reports concerning racial profiling in some cases.

In contrast, Professor Fallon said, the rights of non-citizens had been restricted. He cited instances of government detention of aliens without access to lawyers, and questioned the indefinite holding of war prisoners. He noted that the restrictions on constitutional rights

are expected during wartime, but usually only for the finite period of the conflict. In contrast, the war on terrorism has no named enemy and no end in sight, which raises serious concerns.

Professor Fallon teaches Constitutional Law, Federal Courts and Constitutional Legal Theory at Harvard Law School. He is the author of numerous books and scholarly articles on constitutional law and the federal courts. A graduate of Yale Law School, he is a Maine native who served as Press Secretary for then-Congressman William S. Cohen during his college years.



Harvard Law School Professor Richard Fallon speaks on "Constitutional Rights in Wartime," a Dean's Distinguished Scholar Lecture.



Pictured from left to right, Jim Bailinson, In-house Counsel for the Maine Medical Association (MMA); Andrew MacLean '91, General Counsel & Director of Governmental Affairs, MMA; William Stiles '95 of Verrill & Dana LLP; and Gwen Simons '05, President of the Student Health Law Association, gathered for a Health Law Practitioner Panel in October.

Dean Khoury Receives the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award

The American Bar Association has honored Dean Colleen Khoury with its highest mark of distinction for women: the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award.

Dean Khoury, one of five recipients nationwide in 2003, was presented with the award on August 10 at the ABA's Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

The ABA Commission on Women in the Profession established the award 13 years ago to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of women lawyers. Honorees have "achieved professional excellence in their fields and influenced other women to pursue legal careers, opened doors for women lawyers in a variety of job settings that historically were closed to them, or advanced opportunities for women within a practice area or segment of the profession."

The award—whose distinguished recipients include former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg—is named for Margaret Brent, the first American woman lawyer, who demanded "a vote and voice" for women in 1648 before the Maryland Assembly.

Dean Khoury also has taken a strong stand for women, and the Women's Law Section of the Maine State Bar Association recognized this in 1997, presenting her with Maine's equivalent of the Margaret Brent Award: the Caroline Duby Glassman Award. The award is named for the first woman member of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

Before becoming Maine Law's first woman Dean in 1998, Colleen Khoury chaired a 12-member Maine Commission on Gender, Justice, and the Courts. The Commission was established by Maine's highest court to identify attitudes and behaviors in Maine's judicial system that reflected or might be perceived to reflect gender bias, to consider how gender affects the treatment of men and women in the legal environment, and to make remedial recommendations. The court has implemented most of the Commission's 59 recommendations.

"That's just one of Dean Khoury's numerous accomplishments," noted **Victoria Powers '89**, part of a group of Women's Law Section members that first nominated the Dean for the Margaret Brent Award in 1997. Since then, the group has made a concerted effort to show the ABA "Colleen's attributes—on a national level, from political corners, to academics, to her volunteer work, to the public sector.

"This was her year. We're all extremely proud of her," said Powers. "We're interested in making sure women are recognized for their diligence and the work they do. It was easy to do this for Colleen because she's so fabulous. It's a wonderful example of people believing in her and wanting to make sure she got the due she deserves, and in her humble way, she knows what a big to-do this is!

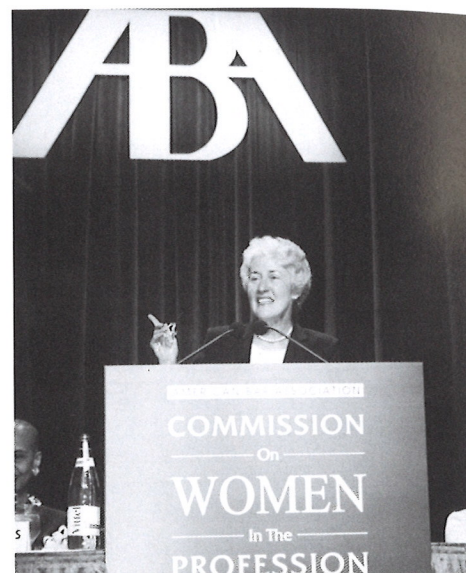
"The Margaret Brent Award is huge. In terms of women's law, this is the Best Actress Award," said Powers, a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. "It's the best you can get."

Patricia A. Peard '88, a Women's Law Section member who also helped with the nomination, said there are countless reasons why Dean Khoury is deserving of the award.

"Colleen has just done so much in so many areas and is a wonderful leader," said Peard. "She has worked incredibly hard to advance the interests of women, and has accomplished so many things. I'm just really happy that the ABA agreed with us and that they've recognized her."

Besides "elevating the stature of the Dean," Peard noted that the Margaret Brent Award gives Maine School of Law national prominence.

"It's a bit overwhelming," Dean Khoury said. "I'm obviously honored and surprised. It means a great deal to me that so many tremendous women have nominated me and supported me. It feels like it's actually an award for the Women's Law Section and women lawyers of Maine." Also present at the luncheon were **Richard Peirce**



Dean Colleen Khoury accepts the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award, the American Bar Association's highest mark of distinction for women in the profession. Dean Khoury was one of five recipients nationwide in 2003. Former distinguished recipients include former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

'71, Ira Waldman '76, and James Stolley '93.

Dean Khoury is a Portland resident and a native of Queens, N.Y. She earned her undergraduate degree in government from Colby College, and did graduate work in political science at the University of Chicago. Before entering law school, she served as director of information and development for two social service agencies in Chicago. She graduated first in her class in 1975 from Illinois Institute of Technology/Chicago-Kent College of Law.

After nine years as a tax attorney at Bell, Boyd & Lloyd in Chicago—she was the third woman partner in the firm's history—Dean Khoury and her husband, David Karraker, moved to Maine when she was named general counsel for Ventrex Laboratories in Portland. She became a professor at Maine Law in 1985, and was appointed Dean in 1998.

This year's other Margaret Brent Award honorees are: the Hon. Martha Craig Daughtrey of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Nashville, Tenn.; Charyle O. Farris, of the Law Office of Charyle O. Farris in Wichita Falls, Texas; Joanne Garvey, a partner in Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe LLP in San Francisco; and Michele Coleman Mayes, senior vice president and general counsel for Pitney-Bowes in Stamford, Conn.

Professor David Cluchey taught a two-week course in June and July for the St. Petersburg Summer Law Program (an ABA-accredited summer law program sponsored by Cleveland State University) in St. Petersburg, Russia. The subject of the lectures was International Trade Law and Finance.

Professor John Duff co-authored, with Jill Hunter '04, an op-ed article that ran in the *Portland Press Herald* in June, entitled "Cruise Ships Are Welcome Here, But Pollution Should Be Kept In Check." The article was a product of the Environmental Law Clinic taught by Professor Duff. "While the piece carries two authors' names, the fact is the entire group of clinic students—John Elmen, Jill Hunter, Jim Liddell, Kathleen Robertson and Laura Welles—worked hard on the project," noted Duff.

Professor Christine Galbraith's article "Access Denied: Improper Use of the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act to Control Information on Publicly Available Internet Web sites" has been accepted for publication in the *University of Maryland Law Review*. The target date for publication is January 2004.

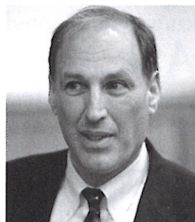
Dean and Law School Professor Colleen A. Khoury has been presented the American Bar Association's Margaret Brent Award at their meeting in August. You can read more about this prestigious award on the facing page.

Professor Lois Lupica, who has written extensively in the areas of bankruptcy and commercial law, was selected by the Business Bankruptcy Committee of the American Bar Association to serve as Vice-Chair and Co-Reporter of the Task Force on Chapter 11.

In April, **Professor Alison Rieser** presented "Is Your Tuna Dolphin-Safe? The Law, Science and Politics of Marine Conservation" to the Environmental Law Society. Later in April, she described a work-in-progress at the faculty scholarship colloquium entitled "Scientific Uncertainty and the 'Best Available Science' Standard in U.S. Marine Conservation Law." In June she met with Rep. Tom Allen on Capitol Hill to discuss pending fisheries legislation and ocean poli-

cy developments. In July, Professor Rieser spent a week as a distinguished visiting conservation scholar at the Duke University Marine Laboratory in North Carolina.

Professor Martin Rogoff's article, "One, Two, Three, Four, Five and Counting: A Sixth French Republic?" has been accepted for publication by the *Columbia Journal of European Law*. It is scheduled for publication this fall.



In May, **Professor Jennifer Wiggins** was elected a member of the American Law Institute. During June she made three presentations: "Teaching Domestic Violence in the First Year Torts Classroom" at the Law & Society Association Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh; "Domestic Violence as Intentional Torts: Incorporating Domestic Violence into the Torts Curriculum" at the Association of American Law Schools Mid-Year Meeting in New York City; and "Domestic Violence as Tortious Activity" to Maine Law faculty. Her article, "Rape, Racism, and the Law," is discussed in the newly published book, *Introduction to Feminist Legal Theory* (2nd Edition) by Martha Chamallas. In addition, the article was reprinted in a new book, *The Criminal Justice System and Women*, edited by Barbara Raffel Price and Natalie J. Sokoloff. The recent book, *Insurance Law and Policy*, by Tom Baker refers to Professor Wiggins's article "Domestic Violence Torts" as "an insightful analysis of the sig-

nificance of insurance to victims of domestic violence."

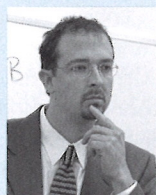
Starting this fall, **Professor Nancy Wanderer '90**, Director of the Law School's Legal Writing Program, will be the editor of the *Uniform Maine Citations*. Recently, Professor Wanderer, working with members of the *Maine Law Review*, **Charles Leadbetter '72**, and her research assistants **Regina Stabile '04** and **Katharine McCarthy '05**, updated and prepared for publication the third edition of the *Uniform Maine Citations*. The new edition will be available in the next edition of the *Maine Law Review* and at their Web site: <http://mainelaw.maine.edu/lawreview>

At the end of the 2002-03 school year, **Professor Melvyn Zarr** received the Law School's Teacher of the Year Award for teaching excellence from the University of Southern Maine's Faculty Senate.



Former Dean and Edward S. Godfrey Professor Donald Zillman's revised supplement for *Maine Tort Law*, which was co-edited with Jack Simmons and Jane Gregory, has been published. In May, Professor Zillman spoke to the Bangor area John Waldo Ballou American Inn of Court on the topic of U.S. war policy from the Kaiser to Saddam. He also served as chair of the Apportionment Commission to reapportion the Maine Legislature, county commissioner seats and the U.S. Congressional Districts.

Professor Maine Joins Law Faculty



Professor Jeffrey A. Maine, who joined the Maine Law faculty in August, jokingly told Dean Colleen Khoury while interviewing for the job that it was nice to have the Law School named after him.

"And she told me, 'Yes, and it didn't cost you a dime!'" Her good-humored response confirmed his feelings that Maine Law was the right place for him.

Professor Maine, who is teaching Federal Income Tax and Estate and Gift Tax this fall, came here from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, where he taught a variety of tax law courses for six years while serving for two years as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. He also has taught at Stetson University College of Law and the University of Idaho College of Law and worked as an associate for Holland & Knight in Florida.

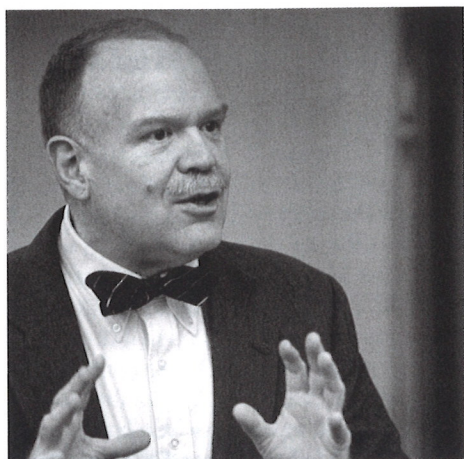
Professor Maine found Maine Law attractive for several reasons.

"Texas Wesleyan is much larger than Maine Law," he explained. "While large schools have their attraction, I enjoyed teaching at Idaho, which is similar to Maine in many ways. There was a sense of community there very much like there is here. The close interaction with students and faculty possible at a small school is important to me."

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FOCUS ON FACULTY

Professor Thomas M. Ward



Professor Thomas M. Ward has been a member of the Law School faculty since 1976. He teaches Contracts, Commercial Law, Bankruptcy, and Intellectual Property.

He was on sabbatical last year, as a Visiting Research Professor at Seattle University School of Law. Besides teaching there, he was a consultant to a team of patent lawyers and economists who were helping other lawyers and their clients in a technology deal. Professor Ward focused on the questions that arise when buying or licensing intellectual property assets in bankruptcy.

Because of his expertise on the commercial side of intellectual property law, Professor Ward's role and approach to

teaching have changed substantially over his 27 years at the Law School. Here, he discusses some of those changes and other experiences:

Q Fresh out of law school, did you know you wanted to teach?

A Not at all. I graduated from Notre Dame Law in the middle of the Vietnam War. I had a 1A draft classification and I was just waiting for my draft letter. I wanted to practice law, but I turned down a clerkship and a law firm job in Philadelphia because I knew I couldn't really make any commitments. Ed Murphy, my contracts professor at Notre Dame, called his friend John Cribbet, then the Dean at Illinois, and asked if he needed short-term help. Illinois offered me a job as a graduate teaching assistant. I took the job although I had no real interest in teaching. I wound up loving it and thought, "Well, isn't this a good, fun thing to do for a year?" Then, as luck would have it, I never got drafted. After that year at Illinois, I took a clerkship with the Federal District Court in Vermont, and then practiced for two years in Burlington. I loved my law practice in Vermont, but teaching was always in the back of my mind.

Q How did you wind up here?

A Well, you can blame (Professor)

Orlando Delogu for that. While I was in Vermont, (now Dean Emeritus) Ed Godfrey called me over because he needed somebody to fill in as a visitor. He talked to me in November and needed someone to start in January. I couldn't walk away from the law firm on such short notice, but I told him, and Orlando, to keep me in mind if they needed permanent faculty later on down the road. After that conversation, I decided to try teaching if I had another opportunity and more lead time. The very next year, I got a job at South Carolina Law School. They hired eight new young faculty members that year—we all became, and still are, good friends. During my fourth year there, John Cribbet asked me to come back to Illinois as a Visiting Professor. After I told Illinois that I'd fill in for a year, Orlando called and asked me to interview for a job at Maine—apparently, I later found out, without any actual authority to do so! I had to decline because of my commitment to Illinois. But when he asked me again the next fall—this time I think he was authorized!—my wife, Carol Ann, and I decided it was time to get back to New England. The rest, as they say, is history.

Q What did you think of Maine Law initially?

A I was happy with the decision from the start. A lot of the fun of teaching law is getting on with your colleagues, and I liked

Professor Maine Joins Law Faculty (continued)

"I was looking for a smaller school with an impressive faculty. I also wanted to be in an area with both cultural amenities and outdoor recreation. I love to fly fish and I also have a bass boat. Maine Law—and the state of Maine—just seemed like the right fit."

Professor Maine said he was impressed that Maine Law has its own Technology Law Center and a Patent Program and that it is expanding its focus on intellectual property issues—his specialty.

"I have been focusing my research and writing on the taxation of intellectual property, a subject niche that has been relatively undeveloped. Maine Law is a school that's growing and developing intellectual property programs, and I'm really glad to be a part of that."

Professor Maine said he likes the emphasis on research and scholarship at Maine Law. He also was intrigued by the long service of some of his new colleagues. "Quite a few professors have been here a long time, and that says a lot about Maine Law."

In spring 2004, Professor Maine will teach Corporate Tax and a Taxation of Intellectual Property seminar in which he'll make use of the two books he's co-authored: *Intellectual Property Taxation: Transaction and Litigation Issues* (BNA, 2003) and *Intellectual*

Property Taxation: Problems & Materials (Carolina Academic Press, 2003).

Professor Maine—honored as Professor of the Year at both Idaho and Texas Wesleyan—noted that he tries to make tax fun. "You don't need to bring a calculator to my class," he joked, "but you do need a copy of the Internal Revenue Code. I love using interesting cases and examples to bring the code to life."

"Although I use the Socratic method, I rely heavily on the problem-solving method, which is well-suited to the study of tax. The problem method requires students to ferret out the relevant facts, identify applicable rules, and apply those rules to the facts. This helps students realize any deficiency in their understanding early on instead of during an exam."

After earning a bachelor's degree and an MBA from Florida Atlantic University, Professor Maine earned his law degree in 1993 from Stetson University College of Law, where he served as editor-in-chief of the *Stetson Law Review*. He also earned an LL.M. in 1994 from the University of Florida College of Law where he was managing editor of the *Florida Tax Review*. Professor Maine is also a certified public accountant.

the people here immediately. I also liked the fact that the school was small. I was the product of a small class at Notre Dame—the level of collegiality and the level of engagement was very high. The teaching environment was, and is, much the same at Maine and the library was both strong and accessible.

Q What did you teach?

A I taught the basic Contracts course and the U.C.C. courses. That's what I did then, and to a great extent, that's what I still do. What is new under the sun is that my research and teaching have turned toward intellectual property law.

Q How did that come about?

A In the early 1980s, I started doing some work for the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, N.H. I put together a set of contracts/licensing materials for their master's program in intellectual property and I began teaching in their Intellectual Property Summer Institute. Franklin Pierce was years ahead of the intellectual property curve. When I started going over there, I knew contracts and I knew licensing, but I didn't have a lot of background in intellectual property law. At the time, Maine was offering one intellectual property course every other year. Maine was not unlike most other schools around the country at that point in time—the law school world has certainly changed in the last few years.

Q How did you learn enough about intellectual property to teach it?

A I learned by reading a lot and just getting down in the dirt and doing it with people who knew more than I did! Very often I learned as much from my students as I taught them. The faculty at Franklin Pierce was a huge help—they all loved to talk about their special interests within the field. I consider myself a living argument for inter-faculty collaboration. The work I do with the IP Summer Institute at Franklin Pierce continues to stimulate my teaching and my research. I try to bring the things I've done in this field to my Maine Law classes. The content of my contracts and commercial law courses draws on my experience with all manner of technology transfers and reflects the growing importance of information assets. My seminar at the Law School on the

Commercial Law of Intellectual Property is a direct product of my recent activity in this area. Another product of that activity is my recent treatise—*Intellectual Property in Commerce* (West Group rev. ed. 2002). The book would never have happened without the support and encouragement of the Deans and the faculty at both Maine and Franklin Pierce.

Q How long did it take to write a book?

A Well, I got the contract in 1994, and it took six years to publish the first edition. I revised it for a third time this summer. As soon as I turned in this year's revised pages, I started gathering the cases and other chestnuts for next year. To make sure that it's current and that it has continuity, I try to squeeze the actual writing into the last four or five weeks before the publisher's deadline.

Q Who is reading your book?

A I'm not sure who is actually *reading* it! It's being marketed to business and licensing lawyers. The price puts it beyond a student budget but it's in most law school libraries now so it's accessible. I think students will find it useful as a resource.

Q It must be gratifying to have a book published...

A It is very satisfying. But I'm always running to keep up. The courts are dealing with vast areas of uncertainty. The cases spin off in a number of different directions, so I'm glad to have the chance to revise it annually. This is an area of the law where you would not want to have your words frozen in time.

Q How has the way you teach changed over the years?

A For a long time, I was just a case, problem and blackboard guy. I say "just" with a real sense of accomplishment because effective use of the case or problem method is high art. Nevertheless, I've adapted to the technology that is also at the core of my research enterprise. I now supplement my basic case and problem method with an occasional PowerPoint slide show to help illustrate complex concepts or transactions. I had to adapt because this stuff is now the medium in which we receive and rework our informa-

tion. As the mediums of communication change and expand, so must the tools of the teacher.

Q Why are you so interested in Commercial Law and IP?

A I jokingly tell students that I'm always available to them because I have no life—outside of what I teach and write about. Actually, I think I've always been interested in this stuff and I appreciate the fact that what I do now builds on what I've done before. At Penn, I studied political economy and public finance. I was fascinated by the way the economy worked itself out and how the law either facilitated or regulated those workings. In law school, I was drawn to courses that dealt with the marketplace, wealth distribution and government intervention within the economic system. In my law practice, I had banks, public utilities and private colleges as my clients. My wife thinks that this stuff is pretty boring, but I still find that it fills up my cup every day. And even though Carol Ann doesn't have much interest in the subjects I teach, she can identify with my passion for teaching. She is a speech clinician and special education teacher and is driven by many of the same demons.

Q So you actually do have a life outside work...

A My dad told me that if I found the right woman most everything else would find its own place. Carol Ann and I have been married for 36 years, and we have three great kids. Our daughter, Jill—the only other lawyer in the family—is the Federal Director for the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence—a big-time Washington lobbyist on the side of the angels. Matt, our youngest, is a consultant for a financial software company who works in Chicago, and on occasion, in Paris. Our oldest son, Adam, is a guidance counselor and coach on Bainbridge Island across the harbor from Seattle. The best part about visiting at Seattle University this past year was being able to spend time with him, his wife, Amanda, and our first grandson, Andrew. Lots of things in life are overrated, but being a grandfather isn't one of them.

FOCUS ON ALUMS

Richard L. Roe '77



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There's no mistaking this much about **Richard L. Roe '77**, this year's recipient of the L. Kinvin Wroth Distinguished Alumni Award: he's a practical guy.

That's clear when he matter-of-factly reveals his reason for choosing Maine Law. "When I decided to go to law school, I was living in Mexico. I came down with a horrible tropical disease, and I could think only of going somewhere cool and hospitable. What sealed it for me was that Maine had a \$25 refundable deposit," he explained with a chuckle.

Roe's choices since graduating bring home the point as well. He's built his career on teaching people the practical side of the law. As a professor at Georgetown University Law Center, he helped develop and now runs its highly touted D.C. Street Law Clinic.

Georgetown's Street Law program, started in 1972, involves sending law students into high school classes to teach students about the practical side of the law—about how it affects their daily lives and what to do if confronted with a legal problem but also about their rights and responsibilities.

Georgetown Law students teach in 15 D.C. high schools and also provide law-related education in prisons, homeless shelters, and supportive housing for HIV-positive people.

About 40 of the roughly 200 U.S. law schools now have Street Law programs, Professor Roe explained, and they're also in place in other parts of the world. He has traveled extensively in recent years, helping to start Street Law programs in England, Slovakia and the Czech Republic.

These programs have been found to reduce delinquent behavior and positively change teens' attitudes about the law.

"Teaching law is considered conventional, but my classes are just the opposite," said Professor Roe. "We try not to teach in a conventional way and try to get maximum student participation. We show law students how we'd like them to teach."

And to do that, Professor Roe said he draws on what he experienced at Maine Law on a daily basis.

"I've really tried to make it a hospitable environment—the kind of environment I found at Maine. That's carried over to what we do here," he said. "I want the Street Law Program to be a comfortable, supportive place for students to be creative while getting a progressive and rigorous education."

With a "teacher's mentality and sensibilities" and his legal aptitude, Professor Roe said he couldn't be more suited to his job.

While finishing Law School, he answered a blind ad in *The New York Times* for a job in a "legal education setting" in Washington. Roe was thrilled to learn that it meant being involved with Street Law at Georgetown. He became assistant to the director of the affiliated non-profit National Street Law Institute (now Street Law, Inc.) working on special projects and grant writing. After three years, a teaching position opened up and he became an adjunct faculty member at Georgetown, teaching Street Law.

In 1983, Georgetown began to require more full-time faculty, and Roe's position was converted to Assistant Professor. He became a full professor in 1990.

"I was very excited. I knew it was the perfect job for me," he said. "It's been a blast."

Along the way, Professor Roe has helped create many noteworthy projects, and he is understandably proud of one in particular. Inspired by reading with his own three sons when they were younger, in 1991 he established the D.C. Family Literacy Project, which teaches incarcerated parents the importance of reading to their children.

"Basically, we sit down with prisoners and suggest they read some children's books with their kids. It sounds so simple, but it's a very powerful thing," Professor Roe said. "Many inmates have experienced coercive or directive relationships, so their kids live

in a world that's arbitrary and where power is wielded harshly. If children and their parents are to be civic-minded people, that relationship has to change, and reading together is a great first step."

Developing the Family Literacy Project has led to an interest in researching how children develop their attitudes toward the law. Professor Roe created a popular seminar at Georgetown—Literacy and Law—that examines connections between emerging readers and the law.

"As people develop literacy, the way they learn to read shapes their legal culture. Take a family that respects the child and responds to questions while reading. That child not only learns to read but also develops a view of the law in that she knows she has a voice, she understands due process to a certain extent. On the other extreme you have a family that yells at the kids and doesn't read to them. Not only doesn't the child gain language and intellectual abilities, but she has a view of the law as arbitrary and feels she doesn't have a voice," Professor Roe explained.

Law students in Literacy and Law read weekly to children at a nearby housing project, and many of Professor Roe's students have written thought-provoking children's books as a result.

Professor Roe also created the Georgetown Even Start Project, which helps homeless families in the D.C. area, and this February he started a program that teaches landlord-tenant matters to people living with HIV and AIDS. He also runs a Street Law Community Clinic in the summer with 10 Georgetown Law students.

As if that weren't enough, Professor Roe is involved in developing a public charter high school, Thurgood Marshall Academy, in the Anacostia neighborhood of D.C. Some of his law students proposed the school in 1999, and he helped to start it in 2001. The Academy's focus is the law, civic participation and the development of critical thinking skills.

Maine Law's 2003 Distinguished Alumni said his most important activity by far, however, is spending time at home in Silver Spring, Md., with his wife, Dianne Piche—executive director of the Citizens Commission on Civil Rights—and their children: Dan, 17; Tim, 14, and Christopher, 11. Professor Roe coaches soccer, and likes to cross-country ski, travel and jog.

Paula D. Silsby '76

While clerking for a Superior Court judge in Bangor fresh out of Maine Law, **Paula D. Silsby '76** had the good fortune to sit in on a bind-over hearing in which George Mitchell was the defendant's court-appointed lawyer.

Silsby got to talking with Mitchell, and he asked what she hoped to do when her clerkship was over. Having worked the previous summer in the U.S. Attorney's office in Bangor, she didn't hesitate.

"I said I'd like to be the next Assistant U.S. Attorney!" said Silsby, recalling how improbable that seemed at that time given that there were just two assistants in Maine and that no woman had ever held the position.

It happened that Mitchell—who, among other things, later became the U.S. Senate Majority Leader and a peace negotiator in northern Ireland—was in line back in 1976 to become U.S. Attorney. He told Silsby to send him a resume if he were appointed.

He was, she did, and in 1977 she became the first female Assistant U.S. Attorney for the district of Maine. "I was just really fortunate. It was extraordinary to have that opportunity."

And she's still making the most of that chance. In May 2001, Silsby was federally court appointed as U.S. Attorney for the District of Maine. She's one of 93 U.S. Attorneys nationwide. Silsby's district handles both criminal and civil federal cases.

"In the late 70s, the tenure of Assistant U.S. Attorneys was not very long. So when

I came in, at age 26, I had no real thoughts about how long I'd be staying. I couldn't believe at the time that one guy had been there seven years! And 26 years later, I've obviously stayed by choice, not for lack of imagination!"

She's seen a multitude of changes in that time. For one, there are now 22 Assistant U.S. Attorneys for Maine, and five are female.

Silsby also notes "a huge expansion in the kinds of cases we handle and a more sophisticated criminal element to deal with" over a quarter century.

Technology is responsible in part. "Obviously, we weren't doing Internet fraud cases back then because there were no computers or Internet. When we get search warrants now, we routinely include any findings to allow for computer searches. There's also been a big increase in child pornography cases as a result of technology."

Her job also has changed significantly in recent years because of the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

"Attorney General John Ashcroft redefined the mission of the Department of Justice after September 11. For the most part, we were a reactive office, prosecuting crimes that had already been committed. But after 9/11, we were put in a more proactive role—we are now charged with identifying, disrupting and dismantling terrorist networks to save innocent lives from further terrorist attacks, and that's a big change for us.

"Now that prevention of terrorism is the greatest priority, investigative resources



Paula D. Silsby '76, U.S. Attorney, State of Maine

have been redirected from other areas."

Added responsibilities have led to longer days, which Silsby confessed, are "not crippling, but when I do go home, it's hard to shut off the switch."

Also challenging, she said, are the management aspects of her job and expanding awareness of the mission of the office.

"Most of what we do is never really seen by the public at large. They see us filing cases and trying cases, but some of the best work of this office is the deliberative process that is involved in determining whether to file charges and what charges to file. In all aspects of the work we do, we remain mindful that our obligation is not to win, but to strive for justice."

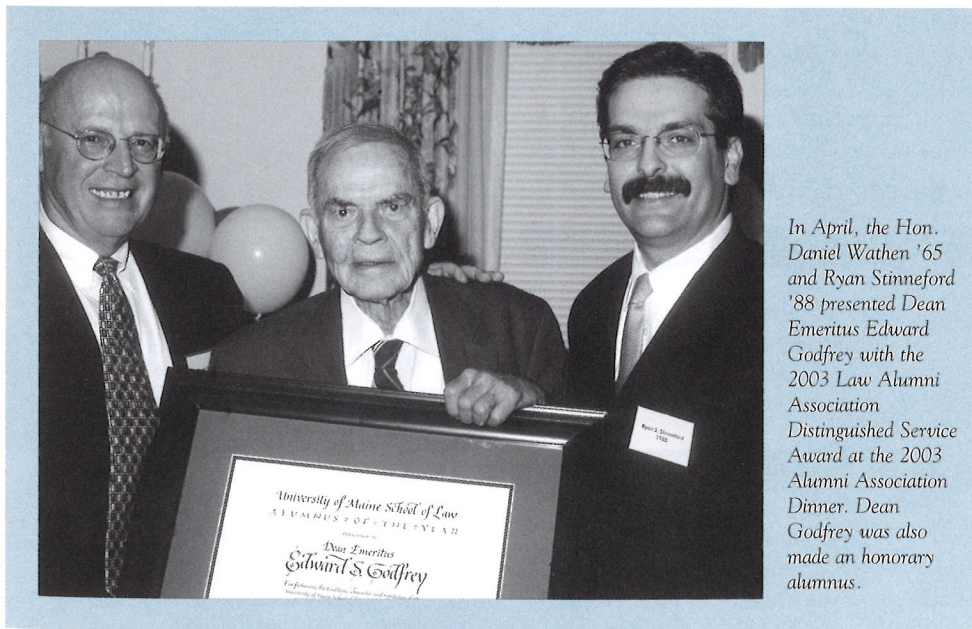
Her job has plenty of rewards.

"Having the opportunity to do what I think is right is enormously satisfying," she said. "As the U.S. Attorney General says so often, we work for the Department of Justice—not the Department of Litigation or the Department of Prosecution. Maine is a very special place and the work we do contributes to keeping it that way."

Silsby comes from a long line of lawyers. Growing up in Ellsworth, her maternal great-grandfather, grandfather and uncle practiced law on one corner of Main Street, and her paternal grandfather, father and another uncle practiced law on the opposite corner.

Despite her family's proclivity for the law, she said she felt "absolutely no pressure" to follow suit. "I decided to go to Law School literally at the 11th hour."

Silsby, an active alumna, now sits on the Law School's Board of Visitors. She said she lives "a pretty quiet life in Portland," and spends her free time cooking, "puttering around in the garden," biking and hiking.



In April, the Hon. Daniel Wathen '65 and Ryan Stinneford '88 presented Dean Emeritus Edward Godfrey with the 2003 Law Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award at the 2003 Alumni Association Dinner. Dean Godfrey was also made an honorary alumnus.

CLASS NEWS

1965

Class Agent Richard W. Elliott

Former Chief Justice **Daniel Wathen** received the Commission on Safety and Health in the Maine Workplace's 2002 Leadership Award. The award recognizes Wathen's efforts to raise awareness throughout the state about the impact of domestic violence on Maine workplaces. Wathen is currently Of Counsel with the Portland firm of Pierce Atwood.

1969

Class Agent Craig H. Nelson
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John Richardson represents Brunswick's District 49 in the Maine House of Representatives.

1970

In July, **Charles Cragin** joined System Planning Corporation in Arlington, Va., as its Senior Vice President for National Intelligence, Security and Response. Cragin was with Blank Rome, LLP and a senior Defense Department official in the Bush (Sr.) and Clinton Administrations.

Malcolm Lyons was selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2003-2004, in the area of personal injury litigation. Lyons is a partner with the firm of Pierce Atwood at its Augusta office.



Members of the class of '73 at the Annual Dinner in April.

1973

In June, **Derry Rundlett** competed in his second Senior Olympic Games with top athletes over the age of 50 across the country. He competed in the 200-meter and 400-meter runs.

In 2002, **Peter Mills** of Skowhegan won a first term for state representative for District 108—an area for which he had previously served as a state senator.

Bernard O'Mara was approved by the Maine Legislature's Judiciary Committee to serve as a Maine District Court Judge.

1974

Paul Chaiken was recently appointed as one of Maine's three members of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. A member of the Bangor firm of Rudman & Winchell LLC, Chaiken is the former president of the Maine State Bar Association and serves on the Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Professional Responsibility.

1975

Stephen Johnson has joined the Portland firm of Verrill & Dana LLP. Johnson was formerly with Maine Public Service Company.

1976

The Los Angeles County Bar Association has installed attorney **Ira Waldman** as the chair of its Real Property Section.

In June, Bangor attorney **John Woodcock** was confirmed as a judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maine (see story on page 25). Woodcock was also awarded Eastern Maine Healthcare's (EMH) Distinguished Service Award. He was chairman of the EMH board of trustees.

Janet Mills of Farmington won the District 78 House seat representing Farmington and Industry in November 2002.

Kathryn Ainsworth received the 2003 Howard H. Dana Jr. award from the Maine Bar

Foundation in recognition of outstanding contributions to the development of private bar projects that further civil legal assistance to the indigent. Ainsworth is senior policy adviser for the Maine Department of Human Services, Behavioral & Developmental Services, Education and Labor.

Susan Hunter, a partner at MittelAsen in Portland, was appointed to the Maine Board of Bar Overseers.

1977

Timothy Woodcock joined the law firm of Eaton Peabody in Bangor. He will specialize in international trade and economic development.

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As part of the USM Muskie School of Public Service Lecture Series Changing Maine, Peter Mills '73, right, current Maine State Representative from the Skowhegan area, spoke regarding the history and policies of taxation in Maine. Pictured with Mills above is Richard Barringer, professor of Planning, Development and Environment at the Muskie School.



Dean Colleen Khoury joined alumnus Peter Herbst '73 for a tour of the grounds at the historic Tapping Reeve Law School in Litchfield, CT. Herbst, a private practice attorney in the area, took Dean Khoury on a visit to the site of America's first law school.

John A. Woodcock Jr. '76

Appointed Federal Judge

In June, Bangor attorney **John A. Woodcock Jr. '76** became Maine Law's first graduate to be appointed as an Article III judge.

Judge Woodcock, appointed by President Bush to the U.S. District Court for the District of Maine, said that he was "extremely excited and honored" by the appointment. "In the back of my mind, I was always interested in this position, but it's a stroke of lightning to have the opportunity," he said.

The opportunity arose when the Hon. Gene Carter assumed senior status and the Hon. George Singal transferred from Bangor to become Chief Judge at the Court in Portland.

The first step in a long approval process was responding to written questions and interviewing with a selection committee. Judge Woodcock then had an individual interview with selection committee chair **Derek P. Langhauser '87**, General Counsel for the Maine Technical College system.

In December 2002, Judge Woodcock was called by Maine Sens. Olympia Snowe and Susan Collins, telling him they were recommending his appointment to President Bush. Later that month, Judge Woodcock visited the White House—"a real thrill"—and met with Alberto Gonzalez, President Bush's general counsel. An "intensive, but important and absolutely necessary" FBI check and Department of Justice qualifications analysis followed.

"I'm just glad my life turned out to be as boring as I thought it was!" joked Judge Woodcock, who was formally nominated in March by the President. Scrutiny continued as the American Bar Association conducted its own analysis, and next came a May hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The full Senate unanimously confirmed Judge Woodcock's nomination on June 12, and on June 16 President Bush formally appointed him to the Court. He was sworn in June 27.

Judge Woodcock calls his new role "a great public trust."

"I appreciate the confidence that both Sen. Snowe and Sen. Collins as well as President Bush have placed in me to do this job."

To prepare, Judge Woodcock shadowed "a very gracious and helpful" Judge Singal, attended sentencings and jury selections "to watch how it's done from a judicial perspective," read as much about his role as possible, and attended seminars and a "judge school."

But he mostly has learned on the job—"the only way to do it"—as he began hearing a variety of civil and criminal cases for the northeastern and west of Augusta portion of Maine as soon as he was sworn in.

Judge Woodcock explained that something he saw at the American History Museum in Washington perfectly sums up his reasons for pursuing the position.

"I saw a quote there from former President Bush: 'There's no definition of a successful life that does not include public service.' And I went to Law School to find a way to use whatever talents I have to serve the common good."

While a member of Weatherbee, Woodcock, Burlock & Woodcock, where he worked for 26 years, specializing in insurance defense and workers' compensation cases, Judge Woodcock took pride in being an active community member.

He served on the board of directors of the Eastern Maine Health Care System and Maine SAD 22; on the boards of trustees of Eastern Maine Medical Center and his alma mater, Bowdoin College; and on the board of managers of the Bangor Children's Home. He has been involved in a variety of charitable organizations in the Bangor area and has been an attorney/coach for Hampden Academy's Mock Trial Team.

Judge Woodcock, who also holds a graduate degree in diplomatic history from the London School of Economics, has served as co-chair of the Federal Practice Section of the Maine State Bar Association, on the U.S. District Court Local Rules Advisory Committee, and on the Maine Supreme Judicial Court Advisory Committee on Professional Responsibility. He is a Fellow of the Maine Bar Foundation and a member of the Maine Law Board of Visitors.

Had another candidate been favored for the federal bench, Judge Woodcock said he certainly would have been disappointed, but would have happily continued to practice. "I always enjoyed the practice of law, and thought that it was a privilege," he said.

Judge Woodcock lives in Hampden with his wife of 30 years, Beverly, a substitute teacher for Maine SAD 22. They have three sons: Chris, a senior at Hampden Academy; Patrick, a senior at Bowdoin College who worked for Sen. Collins in Bangor this summer; and Jack, who worked in Washington for the Governmental Affairs Committee until he enrolled at Maine Law this semester.



A Family Tradition

(pictured from left to right) Elizabeth Woodcock '88, assistant U.S. Attorney in Vermont; Timothy C. Woodcock '77 in private practice with Eaton Peabody in Bangor; and U.S. District Court Judge John A. Woodcock '76.

1978

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In February, **Paula Singer** was named the "Entrepreneur of the Month to Watch" by the MIT Enterprise Forum. In May, Singer was a panelist for "A 2003 Roadmap to Executive Compensation" sponsored by the Federal Tax Institute. Her topic was U.S. Citizens and Residents Employed Abroad. The American Payroll Association is now distributing two of Singer's books, *Tax Treaty Benefits for Foreign Nationals Performing U.S. Services* and *A Guide to Filing IRS Forms 1042 and 1042-S*. These books are part of her six-book series *U.S. Tax Guide for Foreign Persons and Those Who Pay Them*.

Louise Maillett has been named Senior Counsel at the Federal Aviation Administration. Maillett had most recently served as an attorney for the Peace Corps.

Joel Page writes, "I was reelected in November (2002) to my sixth term as Lamoille County State's Attorney, a position I have held for over 21 years. My office is in Hyde Park, Vermont—close to Stowe and Smuggler's Notch ski areas. When not prosecuting criminals, I still enjoy running, skiing and sailing."

Tomorrow After Night, a poetry collection by **Lillian Baker Kennedy**, was released during the summer.

1979

Karen Kingsley has joined the Portland and Lewiston firm of Trough, Heisler & Piampiano, PA/Hark Andrucki. Kingsley is a former Assistant Bar Counsel to the Maine Board of Overseers of the Bar. She will practice real estate, administrative and family law at her new post.

Karen Lovell was appointed by the Maine Supreme Judicial Court as Vice Chairwoman of the Board of Overseers of the Bar. **Susan Hunter '74**, was also appointed to the nine-member Board.

1980

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Babette Bach was featured in the *Sarasota Herald-Tribune* (Florida) for her work in raising awareness of the threat of AIDS to post-menopausal women. Bach is

an attorney with Wiesner Associates in Sarasota.

The Supreme Judicial Court has appointed **Janis Cohen** of Portland to the Maine Civil Legal Services Fund Commission.

Governor Baldacci named **Martha Freeman** Director of the State Planning Office.

1982

Thomas Watson was elected to the Maine House of Representatives in November 2002, representing House District 54 in Bath. Watson is a partner in the Topsham firm of McTeague, Higbee, Macadam et. al.

1983

Jennifer Ferguson writes, "Patty Regan and I (self-appointed event coordinators) are pleased to report that 24 enthusiasts attended an event billed as an 'unauthorized 20th reunion' at the Roma Cafe in Portland on May, 31, 2003."

Dan Warren is the general manager for the Libby-Mitchell American Legion Post 76 baseball team. Warren was among the attendees at the 20th class reunion at the Roma Cafe.

Elisabeth Belmont, Corporate Counsel of MaineHealth, was recently appointed Chair of the Public Interest Committee of the American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA). Belmont also served as Editor in Chief and contributing author of the *Health Information & Technology Practice Guide*, published by AHLA.

The District Court of Skowhegan welcomed a new judge, **Charles LaVerdiere**, following his approval by the Judiciary Committee of the Legislature and Maine Senate.

1984

Class Agent Thomas E. Powers
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Bruce Smith was appointed to the board of directors of Drummond, Woodsum & MacMahon. Smith has been with the firm for 18 years.

Timothy Hiebert writes, "For the past ten years I have been telecommuting to my firm in Boston from western Massachusetts, and was recently ranked among the top ten trademark attorneys in the country based on numbers of applications filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark office during 2002."

Gregg Bertonazzi of Uxbridge, Massachusetts wrote us he is the tee-ball coach for his seven-year-old son Nicholas's baseball team.

1985

Class Agent Kenneth Altshuler
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James Callahan writes, "I received an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois in 2001. I'm a partner practicing corporate, finance and real estate law at Brighton & Runyon. I'm also affiliated with several Boston area private equity firms engaged in M&A activity."



Third year student Kate Knox spoke to a group of nearly 100 faculty members and students at a gathering to remember Jim Roux '84, who died in the September 11 terrorist attacks. Students raised money for a memorial garden and on September 11, 2003, members of the Law School student body, faculty, and staff dedicated the garden. Everyone in attendance placed a stone of remembrance in the garden bed.



David Silk (left) and Ignatius MacLellan, both Class of 1985, were photographed at the dedication of 48 apartments for elderly citizens in Pelham, N.H. David is the board chair of the nonprofit Housing Initiatives of New England, the developer and owner of the project. Ignatius works with Fannie Mae in New Hampshire, and Fannie Mae helped finance the project.

Jonathan Brogan will head up the new Insurance Practice Litigation Group at the Portland law firm Norman, Hanson & DeTroy. Brogan was also selected to serve on the firm's management committee.

In March, **Valerie Stanfill** served as faculty at the Litigation Institute, a two-day event focused entirely on trial practice. Stanfill is currently acting director of the Law School's Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic. Other Maine Law alumni among the Institute faculty were: **Stephanie Anderson '80**, **J. Scott Davis '75**, **Peter DeTroy III '72**, **R. Terrance Duddy '80**, **Alan Harding '78**, **Charles Harvey '74**, **Mark Lavoie '78**, **Malcolm Lyons '70**, **James Poliquin '81**, **Peter Roy '73**, **Ellsworth Rundlett III '73**, and **Graydon Stevens '77**.

James Hunt, a partner in the Portland firm of Robinson, Kriger & McCallum, assisted in instructing a one-day seminar on insurance laws in Maine as part of Lorman Education Services.

Brad Lown wrote us he is currently serving on the Portsmouth, N.H., City Council and Planning Board.

Childs, Rundlett, Fifield, Shumway & Altshuler Partner **Kenneth Altshuler** was invited to become a Fellow of the International American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.

1986

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James Haddow was elected president of the Maine Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. Haddow also authored the chapter "Legal Issues in Prenatal Diagnosis in

the USA" in the second edition of *Prenatal Diagnosis: The Human Side* by Lenore Abramsky and Jean Chapple. The book was published in May and is a reference primarily for U.S. and U.K. students and practitioners in the health care professions.

1987

Class Agent **Margaret Cushing Lavoie**
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Arthur Lamothe has opened a new office in Brunswick at 32 Pleasant Street.

The Maine Civil Liberties Union honored **G. Steven Rowe**, Maine's attorney general, with the Justice Louis Scolnik Award in recognition of contributions to preserving civil liberties.

Douglas Sensenig of Camden has joined Union Trust Co. as an administrative trust officer in the Investment and Trust Department. Sensenig had previously served as an investment representative for Edward Jones Investments in Rockport.

1988

Class Agent **Ryan Stinneford**
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Timothy Norton was elected treasurer of the Maine Law Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Kathryn Ellen Davis released her first novel, *Polyester Pride* (Robert Reed Publishers), in late 2002. Set in mid-coast Maine, the novel chronicles the life of Lisa Jones, a poor, ill-educated clam digger. Davis is currently practicing in Lewiston.

Anthony Derosby was selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2003-2004, in the area of immigration law. Derosby works with the Portland firm of Pierce Atwood.



Members of the Class of 1988 (from left to right), **Stephen D. Bither**, **Paula J. House Eisenhart**, **Ann R. Robinson**, **Beth N. Ahearn**, and **Ryan S. Stinneford**, gather at the Annual Dinner.

Ann Robinson has been named to the board of directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston. Robinson works with the firm of PretiFlaherty.

District 20, Old Orchard Beach, continues to be represented by **David Lemoine** who won an unopposed third term in the Maine House of Representatives.

1989

Class Agent **Michael K. Martin**
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Jill Tompkins writes, "On February 14, 2003, I was sworn in as an appellate judge for the new Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians court of appeals in Dowagiac, Michigan. My day job is as a clinical professor of law and director of the Indian Law Clinic at the University of Colorado School of Law."

John Veroneau has assumed the role of general counsel for the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative in the Executive Office of the President. Previously Veroneau was in the position of assistant trade representative and assistant secretary of defense for Legislative Affairs. (see story on page 28)

The Cumberland County Bar Association has named **Daniel Cummings** to the governing arm of the Association, the General Committee.

Donald Macomber received special recognition at the 2002 Pro Bono Publico Awards during the Maine Bar Association's Annual Meeting in January. Macomber was honored for referring the most Volunteer Lawyer's Project (VLP) cases in a single shift. VLP also recognized the following Maine Law alumni for accepting 6 or more VLP cases: **Justin Leary '87**, **John Whalen '71**, **Stephen Bither '88** and **William Sandstead '93**.

Delia Pooler opened a new office in January. Pooler's practice is now located on Middle Street in Portland and will focus on personal injury and social security law.

Gregory Moffett has formed the new law firm McCaffrey & Moffett PLLC in Concord, N.H.

David Very of Norman, Hanson & DeTroy, LLC recently led a course for Lorman Education Services' "Insurance Law in Maine," a one-day seminar for attorneys and insurance professionals.

Caroline Gardiner was presented with the 2003 Cleaves Award by Family Law Section in April of 2002.

Veroneau Named General Counsel for the Office of the United States Trade Representative



John K. Veroneau '89 good-naturedly refers to himself as the perfect illustration of "life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans." He feels fortunate about how his career has unfolded, "but when I was sitting in the Law School, I never would have envisioned this."

"This" is being named in March as General Counsel for the Office of the United States Trade Representative. Veroneau heads a legal team that negotiates and enforces trade agreements on behalf of President Bush and the executive branch.

"My staff spends about half of its time enforcing trade agreements, often in Geneva, where the World Trade Organization is located. A lot of my job revolves around disputes brought in the WTO. It's my job to assess whether to proceed with a case, weighing economic and policy considerations and our prospects of winning."

Asked for an example, Veroneau said a significant and complicated case recently was brought against the European Union because of its ban on the importation of genetically modified foods. He noted that Americans consume many such bio-engineered foods, including corn and soybeans modified to be resistant to certain pests, and many foods enriched with vitamins.

"The future of agriculture will depend more and more on biotechnology, Veroneau said. "Sub-Saharan Africa, which I visited earlier this year, would benefit greatly from crops modified to resist pests and droughts."

The second component of his job involves providing legal advice to U.S. negotiators involved in various trade negotiations. The biggest issue right now involves possible changes to the WTO. Another is a free trade agreement being worked out among 34 Western Hemisphere countries.

Facing new issues each day is one of the best—and most challenging—parts of

Veroneau's job. Best, he said, because he's never bored. A challenge because "there is so much activity, you never know the subject matter as deeply as you'd like."

Veroneau noted that his role does not require him to know every global issue inside-out. "I am not, nor do I need to be, an expert on every aspect. There's a lot of stuff I need to know, but my attorneys explain the pros and cons, and it's my job to exercise judgment."

He likes supervising 30 "extremely bright, enjoyable" people and "seeing the results of our work in a very visible way. We're concluding negotiations on two trade agreements with Chile and Singapore, for example."

Veroneau admits he had "no real game plan" for his career while at Maine Law, knowing only that he hoped to work on Capitol Hill "before settling into a more traditional practice." After graduation, he became legislative counsel for then-U.S. Sen. William Cohen (R-Maine), eventually becoming his legislative director.

When Cohen chose not to seek re-election, Veroneau took a legislative director position with U.S. Sen. Bill Frist (R-Tenn.), who is now the Majority Leader. Veroneau then served as chief of staff for U.S. Sen. Susan M. Collins (R-Maine) before reconnecting with Cohen, who in 1997 was named Secretary of Defense under President Clinton. Veroneau was confirmed by the U.S. Senate to be the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs—which made him the chief liaison between the Defense Department and Congress.

"This was a whole new world for me. I had done just about every issue while working for Bill Cohen—except defense. I learned about national security and military issues. Not having a military background, it was challenging and fascinating to be at the Pentagon."

When Cohen's term ended, U.S. Trade Representative Robert B. Zoellick asked Veroneau to serve as the Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Congressional Affairs in 2001. That led to Veroneau's promotion this spring.

Veroneau, who is from Portland and visits his family here each summer, calls his job "fabulous," but knows he won't do it forever because of wanting more time with his family. He and his wife, Carol, live in Arlington, Va., with their twin 6-year-old sons, Sam and Zach.

Christine A. Bither's investiture as Immigration Judge in Los Angeles, California took place in August.

1990

Class Agent M. Thomasine Burke
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M. Thomasine Burke was elected vice president of the Maine Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. In that role, she is chairing the School's 2003-2004 Annual Fund Campaign.

Charles McKee, has transitioned from county counsel for Nevada County to Monterey County, CA. With this change, the body of residents in his charge will increase four fold.

Paula Caughey has joined the Yankee Title Co. of Gardiner as vice president and staff attorney. Caughey previously served with the Waterville firm of Marden, Dubord, Bernier & Stevens.

Julia Hugo-Vidal received the Agatha Award for best first mystery novel. Her novel, *In the Bleak Midwinter*, introduced the character of Clare Fergusson, an ex-Army helicopter pilot turned Anglican priest. The book is now available in paperback. She writes under the pen name of Julia Spencer-Fleming.

Elizabeth Stout married John Robinson on July 27, 2003.

1991

Class Agent Anne E. O'Donovan
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Julie Nepveu is the new mother of twins, Aiden and Cooper, born on January 15, 2003.

Barbara Merrill received special recognition at the 2002 Pro Bono Publico Awards during the Maine Bar Association's Annual Meeting in January. Merrill was recognized for completing the most hours on a VLP family law case and for donation of 100 or more pro bono hours. VLP also recognized the following Maine Law alumni for accepting 6 or more VLP cases:

Justin Leary '87, John Whalen '71, Stephen Bither '88 and William Sandstead '93.

Pete Clifford and Stephanie Perkins Clifford '92 welcomed their third child and first son, Nicholas Peter, on March 1. He joins big sisters Meghan, 8, and Olivia, 4.

Henry Griffin and Elizabeth Eddy Griffin '92 welcomed Marguerite June in June 2002. She joined Benjamin, 5 1/2, and Rose, 3 1/2.

Kenneth Ginder was named partner at the Portland firm of Verrill & Dana LLP in January 2003. Formerly associated with Coopers & Lybrand in Boston, Ginder will concentrate on qualified retirement plans, IRS compliance issues and ERISA.

In January, **Frederick Lipp** was named a shareholder at the Portland firm of Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson.

Focusing on commercial law and high-tech and international transactions, Lipp has been with the firm for three years.

James Saffian was selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2003-2004, in the area of public finance law. Saffian is a partner at the Portland firm of Pierce Atwood.

1992

Class Agent **Elizabeth Eddy Griffin**
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William Milliken of Falmouth, co-authored, with Augusta attorney Sumner Lipman, a chapter entitled "Medical Expenses and Related Special Damages" in the casebook ATLA's *Litigating Tort Cases*, published in 2003 by the West Group.

Stephanie Perkins Clifford and **Pete Clifford '91** welcomed their third child and first son, Nicholas Peter, on March 1. He enjoys big sisters Meghan, 8, and Olivia, 4.

Tracey Geary is working as Development Director at Stevens Memorial in Norway. Geary formerly served as Director of Community Support for the American Red Cross.

Laura O'Hanlon has been named law clerk to Chief Justice **Leigh Saufley '80**, of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

Margaret Jeffery writes from Bar Harbor, "I have opened my own office after

working in a law firm for a few years, then taking two years off to work on our own projects. My practice consists mostly of real estate, corporations and estate planning issues. Peter and I have three cherubs: Clifton, 6 1/2, Emerson, 3, and Winslow, 1. Life is swell. Best to all!"

Elizabeth Eddy Griffin and husband, **Henry Griffin '91**, welcomed Marguerite June in June 2002. She joined Benjamin, 5 1/2, and Rose, 3 1/2.

Ted Coxe earned his master of laws in taxation and an estate planning certificate from Villanova University School of Law in December 2002.

1993

Class Agent **Walter F. McKee**
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David Pierson, a partner at the law firm Hark Andrucki in Lewiston, was elected president of the Auburn Business Development Corp.

Joshua Tardy was elected to the Maine House of Representatives in the November 2002 elections. He represents District 125 in Newport.

Walter McKee, a violinist and father of two violinist daughters, was elected to serve as president of the Pineland Suzuki School. He also was elected to serve a second term on the Board of Directors for the Maine Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

Mary "Caryn" Graham and David Brenningmeyer had their first child, Matthew, on May 12. Both Graham and Brenningmeyer are attorneys for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, D.C. They live in Fairfax, Va.

Sean Carnathan authored an article, "Will the Company Cover an Ex-Officer's Legal Costs?" that appeared in the September/October issue of *Business Law Today*. Carnathan is a principal at Rubin Hay & Gould, P.C. in Framingham, Mass.

1994

Class Agents **Carlos A. Diaz**
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Nina Lavoie and husband, Louis, welcomed their second child, Benjamin, on December 11, 2002. Benjamin joins big sister Lydia, 4.

Susan Steiner has joined Pierce Atwood. Steiner will practice in the Trusts and Estate Department.

Alan Stearns is currently serving as a Senior Policy Advisor for Governor Baldacci's Administration.

Since graduating from Maine Law, **Brian Sumner** pursued an interest in recording, attending the Conservatory of Recording Arts and Sciences in Tempe, Arizona. He lives in North Hollywood, Calif., and works as an audio engineer at Enterprise Studios in Burbank.

Jonathan Mann has joined DRS Technologies in Parsippany, N.J., as vice president and corporate counsel. Mann provides merger and acquisition analysis, negotiates and analyzes contracts and strategic alliances along with his duties as general counsel.

Ronnee Pedersen had a baby boy, Grant Barrett, on February 6. This is Pedersen's third child.

Bruce Hepler has joined the Portland firm of Friedman, Gaythwaite, Wolf & Leavitt. Hepler, a Gorham native and former clerk to Judge Gene Carter of the U.S. District Court, returned to Maine after practicing law in California.

1995

Class Agents **William D. Hewitt**
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In January, **William Stiles** was named a partner at Portland firm of Verrill & Dana LLP. Stiles, who serves as co-chair of the Maine State Bar Association's Health Law section, focuses his practice in general health law.

Jon Stanley has joined the Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry to conduct research in digital security, privacy and liability risks for corporations and government.

The Bangor law firm of Eaton Peabody has named **Nathaniel Putnam** as a shareholder of the firm.

David Beneman was appointed to Maine's Supreme Judicial Court's Advisory Committee on Rules of Evidence.

Michael Traister has been elected a director and shareholder of the Portland firm Murray, Plumb & Murray.

Trevor Hughes writes, "I am currently working as the Executive Director for two organizations: The International Association of Privacy Professionals and the Network Advertising Initiative (NAI). With the NAI, I have been squarely in the middle of the national debate over spam.



Members of the class of '93 at the Annual Dinner in April.

In May, I testified at a hearing on spam legislation before John McCain and the Senate Commerce Committee. I continue to live and practice in York, Maine, with my wife Gabriella and two sons, Malcolm and Dinon."

1996

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Rachel Bouchard, a current member of the Alumni Association Board, was among a handful of basketball stars to be inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame this September.

Daniel Walker has joined the firm of Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson. Walker will work in the Legislative and Government Affairs Department. He was formerly legal counsel to the speaker of the Maine House of Representatives.

Kerith Killip Peary of Gray delivered a 10-pound baby boy, Matthew Ryan, on February 3 at Maine Medical Center. He joins 3-year-old sister, Alexandra. Peary is employed by UnumProvident.

Armanda Beal Day wrote us she had a baby girl, Hannah, on August 30, 2002. She reported mom, dad and baby are all doing great.

Christine Hepler co-produced "Maine State Documents: A Bibliography of Legal Publications and Law-Related Materials." In addition, Hepler's book review, "Religious Freedoms: Rights and Liberties Under the Law," was published in the spring 2003 *Law Library Journal*.

Sandra Livingston gave birth to Tucker Henry on October 9, 2003—all is well with baby, mom and dad. Grandmother, **Susan Livingston '88** was quite proud as well.

1997

John Giffune, formerly associated with the Boston law firm of Gadsby Hannan LLP, has joined the Litigation and Construction Law Group at Verrill & Dana LLP.

David Miller has entered a partnership with Ted Curtis Jr. in a general law practice in Orono. Miller, an Orono native, had previously served as the Land Development Coordinator for the City of Bangor.

Humphrey H. N. Johnson has joined the Portland firm of Friedman, Gaythwaite, Wolf & Leavitt. Johnson, a former captain

in the Judge Advocate General's Corps, specializes in personal injury law.

Stephen Jordan has joined the law firm Troubh, Heisler and Piampiano, specializing in business law, intellectual property, technology and real estate law.

1998

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Michael Saxl has joined the Governmental Strategies Group as Counsel at Verrill & Dana LLP and will head Maine Street Solutions.

Joseph McEachearn was named president of the Eastern League of Professional Baseball Clubs. McEachearn replaces **Bill Troubh '62**, who retired on December 31, 2002. Affiliated with Troubh's office since 1996, McEachearn served as league vice-president for the last three seasons.

The Bangor law firm of Eaton Peabody has named **David Austin** as a shareholder in its firm.

Melinda Shain and her husband Chris welcomed their first child, Thaddeus Jay, on September 24th.

1999

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Dan and Robyn Salvin had their first baby, Jack Everett, on May 20. He was 7 lbs. 3 oz. and 19 inches long. Dan is the Assistant Executive Director of the Center for Law and Justice in Albany, N.Y. He also chairs the Moratorium Committee of New Yorkers Against the Death Penalty. Robyn teaches

U.S. history and AP government at Niskayuna High School near Schenectady, N.Y.

Aaron Baltes and wife, Kathy, of Portland welcomed their second daughter, Meg Elizabeth, in November 2002.

Pamela Holmes married James Belanger on October 12, 2002. Holmes is currently working with Nadeau & McGarry, PA in Wells.

2000

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Amy Tomlinson Lambiase writes, "I'm frying down here on the southern border. Texas is interesting. I'm trying to get used to the local pronunciation of voir dire (that's vor-die-er in these parts). I'm enjoying prosecuting and relieved that there's been no deployment for Matthew. We have two girls (Madison and Sophia) who are 4 and 2 and full of life and fun. Y'all stop in if you find yourself south!"

Katherine Murray wrote us she is currently employed at the Indiana State Department of Health representing the agency in enforcement actions against nursing homes and nurse aides. Murray also completed the Indianapolis 500 Festival Mini-Marathon in 2 hours, 11 minutes in May.

Jennifer (Dach) Archer became associated with the Portland firm of Kelly, Remmel & Zimmerman in August 2002, after completing two clerkships. The first was for the Maine Superior Court and the second was for the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

Dana (Gillespie) Herzer and **David Herzer '02** were wed in June of 2003.

2001

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Brett Witham has joined the Health Law Group at Verrill & Dana LLP.

Jenny Odom and **William Richards '02** are engaged to be married in September 2004.

In 2002 **Joan Bryant-Deschenes** of Turner won a first term in the Maine House of Representatives.

Brett Witham has joined the Portland firm of Friedman, Gaythwaite, Wolf & Leavitt. Witham formerly practiced at Skelton, Taintor & Abbott.

Krista Canty has become an associate at Schuster, Buttrey & Wing, a legal practice in Lebanon, New Hampshire.



Members of the class of '98 at the Annual Dinner in April.



Maine Law graduates attend the wedding of Rebecca Garrett '00 and Jeffery Talbert on June 7 in York, Maine. (L to R): Crystal Bulges '00, Dave Ekelund '00, Rebecca Garrett Talbert '00, Leah Babcock '00, John Turcotte '00 and Anna Astvatsaturova '03.

Frederic Rand is now an educator with the Gorham School Department, teaching 8th grade social studies.

2002

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William Richards and Jenny Odom '01 are engaged to be married in September 2004. Richards is now Assistant Chief Counsel for the Office of the District Counsel, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, United States

Department of Homeland Security in Boston.

Kathleen "Kassie" Stevens married **Francis David Walker '03** in September 2002 at Walkers-by-the-Sea in Northeast Harbor. Stevens is currently working at the University of Maine while Walker is employed with the Maine Supreme Judicial Court.

In 2002 **Chava Kallberg** joined Verrill & Dana LLP. She is working in the firm's Bankruptcy and Commercial Law Group.

Rick Winling has joined the law firm Smith, Elliott, Smith & Garmey in Portland.

Sarah Mitchell is working with Skelton, Taintor & Abbott in Auburn as an associate attorney.

Charlie Mitchell recently earned a position as ACLU Legislative Counsel for National Security and Immigration. He writes, "I am working in Washington to pass legislation restoring civil liberties, focused on repealing provisions of the PATRIOT Act, stopping PATRIOT II provisions and restoring due process to immigration laws."

Kate Lynch recently began a clerkship with U.S. District Court Judge **John Woodcock '76** in Bangor.

Jacqueline Lewy Smith was sworn in as an assistant district attorney for Hancock and Washington Counties.

2003

Anna Astvatsaturova was named the Outstanding Student of the Year by "Who's Who: American Law Students."

Astvatsaturova was chosen from a nationwide pool of over 1,000 candidates. In addition, her article, "Focus on Student Organizations: All Eyes on the International Criminal Court," was featured in *BorderLines*, a publication of Lawyers without Borders, Inc.

In Memoriam

Kenneth Clegg, 59, died suddenly on November 8. Mr. Clegg was a well-known Sanford attorney who lived in Portland. He taught at the Law School from 1977 to 1980 and went on to spend his legal career in the courtroom as a litigator. Outside the courtroom, Mr. Clegg was an outdoorsman and athlete, never missing the Trek Across Maine. "He was a wonderful colleague and an even better human being," remarked Professor Orlando E. Dologu. "Ken was loved and respected by so many—the number of people from all walks of life that gathered to pay tribute to his life attests to his ability to touch people's lives." Mr. Clegg is survived by his four children and wife of 34 years, Mimi Clegg.

Helen Barrett Jacobs Eddy '76, died in early September after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. After graduating from Maine Law in 1976, she was in private practice for over 10 years in the Portland area. She was active in many civic and church organizations including the Portland Players and Visiting Nurses Associations. One of her daughters is Elizabeth Eddy Griffin, a 1992 graduate of the Law School. Elizabeth's husband Henry is also a Law School graduate. Mrs. Eddy is survived by her husband of 48 years, Harry, four siblings, four children, and 11 grandchildren.

In April, **F. Frederick Romanow, Jr. '69**, age 59, passed away in his sleep. Mr. Romanow lived in Belfast, Maine, where he practiced law and was active in community affairs for many years. He was an active Rotarian and administered the Gadd Foundation, a trust to help diabetic children in Waldo County. Among his many relatives, he leaves his wife of 34 years, Sharon, and his son Michael. Prior to attending the Maine School of Law, Mr. Romanow graduated from the University of Rochester in New York.

Stuart J. Wilson '01, age 55, died in May 2003 in Portland following complications from a stroke. He was a recent graduate of the Law School who is remembered fondly by his classmates for his friendship and for his work at the Cumberland Legal Aid Clinic. Several weeks after his death, a group of his classmates held a memorial service in Gorham for Mr. Wilson. Ardith Keef, a classmate who helped organize this service, said this about him. "All of us miss Stu. He was the kind of person who spoke his mind, but accepted you for yourself rather than for your viewpoint. He had a tremendous sense of justice and loved the law. He made great chili and made sure we were all well fed. Though his life seems to have been cut off early, it was full, rich. And, his blazing honesty and determination to grow have left an indelible mark on us all." Mr. Wilson is survived by his mother Cerita of Bethesda, Md., and his brother Robert of Greenville, S.C.

ALUMNI EVENTS



Class of '78 Cruise

(Above) George Stone, Chuck Frasier, Mark Tompkins, and Jim Russell, all members of the class of 1978, enjoy a cruise around Casco Bay as part of a gathering of classmates this September. (Right) Members of the class of 1978 Glen Porter, Chuck Frazier, and former Registrar Frances Tucker at their reunion dinner.



Augusta Area Lunch

Craig Nelson '69 and Chief Judge Vendeau Vafiades '85 attend Augusta/Waterville spring alumni/ae luncheon at Lauria's by the River.



2003 Alumni Cocktail Party

Louise Berlin '95 and Dave Evans '78 gathered in September with 80 Law School graduates and friends for the 2003 Alumni Cocktail Party held at the home of Linda and Ward Graffam '67.



Bath/Brunswick Area Lunch

Alumni/ae in the Bath/Brunswick area gathered at Kristina's restaurant in Bath in May. Dean Khoury and Professors Nancy Wanderer and Mel Zarr also attended.

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To Maine Law Alumni/ae and Friends of Maine Law

Thank you for your feedback and suggestions concerning this publication. Our goal is to capture all that is special and unique about the Law School, the faculty, the students, and alumni/ae. You can help through your letters and e-mails. We hope to hear from you and, when appropriate, we want to share with our readers your successes and celebrations. Please write or send an e-mail to us.

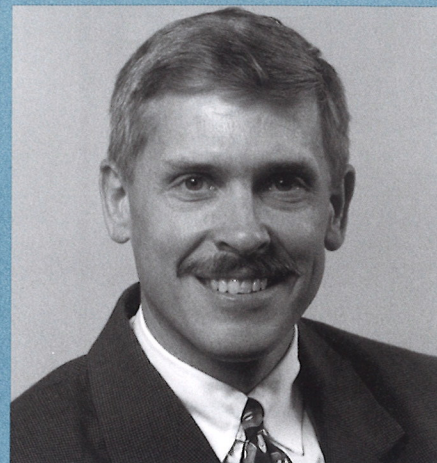
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I have had the privilege of serving on the Alumni Association Board of Directors for three years, and as my term as president of the organization continues, I find myself with an opportunity to reflect on the Board's work over that time and to imagine what lies ahead. Of course, there is not enough room in a short column for a complete description of all the good the Association has done in three years, but there are a few particularly notable achievements that form the foundation for what I imagine will be its future.

Because of the excellent work of those who have preceded me in this role, the Association is able to contribute more now than it ever has to scholarships to help the Law School attract and keep highly qualified students. Members of the Association also help directly in the recruitment process by talking with applicants who have been accepted for admission, but who have not yet made the decision to come to Maine. Ryan Stinneford's inspired decision during his time as president to create a communications committee has resulted in the establishment of a Web site for the Association, and the initial planning for an on-line alumni/ae directory is also well underway. At the same time, the Association has continued to act as a source of mentors to law students and of interviewers for Career Services's mock interview program, and it has continued to host successful social events that draw alums from all over the world. We are not, however, in any position to rest on our laurels. Looking ahead, the Law School is likely to need more from us.

Historically, the Association has managed to find new and better ways to support the Law School, not just through gifts of money (although financial support is crucial), but also through gifts of time and talent. The eagerness of alumni/ae to give in these more personal ways has important implications that, in my view, point to the future of the Association. What makes the University of Maine School of Law community unique is the degree to which its members—faculty, staff, students, alumni/ae, administration, and friends—remain connected to the school and to one another year in and year out. The connection lies at the heart of the



Association's successful support of the School, and it is by broadening and deepening the connection that I believe the Association can do even more.

While the prospect of building on the Association's formidable accomplishments is daunting, I see significant untapped opportunities for expanding connections within the community. Over the course of the coming year, I hope to see the Association taking advantage of technology to make it easier for alums to stay in touch with each other, the Association and the School. By combining that effort with a more active and communicative role for class agents and continuing the proven program of special alumni/ae social events, the Association can encourage more alums to become active members of the Law School community. I also anticipate that the Association will find ways to strengthen its links with students by increasing the opportunities for organized but informal contact between students and alums, and by infusing fresh energy into established efforts like the mock interview and mentor programs.

If all goes well, I hope to be able to report to you a year from now that our efforts have resulted in a larger, stronger Law School community and increased support for the school. Those who have served ahead of me have set a high standard, and there is a good deal of work to be done to live up to it. I hope that I can count on all of you to pitch in with me to help the Association do more for the Law School this year than ever before and lay the groundwork for still greater success in the years to come.

—Jim Haddow '86

2004 Calendar of Events

January

- 21** Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
28 University of Maine School of Law Foundation Board of Directors Meeting

February

- 23** Dean's Distinguished Scholar Lecture—Martha L. Minow, William Henry Bloomberg
Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

March

- 17** Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
26-27 Marine Law Conference
27 Alumni Association Annual Dinner and Class Reunions

April

- 2 or 16** MAPIL Auction (to be announced)
12-13 Libra Journalist in Residence, Linda Greenhouse, U.S. Supreme Court Correspondent,
The New York Times

May

- 19** Alumni Association Annual Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting
22 Law School Graduation

June

- 12** University of Maine School of Law Foundation Annual Meeting
17-18 Technology Law Center's 5th Annual Conference

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